

TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN
TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town Hall

10/12/93

8:00 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Holbrook
Council Members Dusanenko, Maloney, Mandia & Smith
Murray N. Jacobson, Town Attorney
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

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

Supervisor declared the public portion of the meeting open.

Appearance: Christopher Goodyear, President
PBA
19 Strawtown Road
West Nyack, New York

Officer Goodyear spoke regarding an issue of staffing and whether or not one sector, which is not now being manned, should be manned on midnights. He stated that if you call, you want the police there in your area. You are entitled to that service. Under the present policy this is not going to happen. He urged the Board to correct this situation stating that this is an apolitical situation and has to do with what the people of the Town of Clarkstown deserve. He presented letters signed by the members of the Police Department noting that Police Commission members as well as the Chief of Police had received copies prior to this evening.

Supervisor said the Town Board Members are aware of this situation and he assured Officer Goodyear that it will be addressed.

Appearance: Mr. John Cuff
Pheasant Drive
West Nyack, New York

Mr. Cuff stated that he was glad there was no resolution on tonight's agenda supporting the County Executive on his Gay/Lesbian Appreciation Week here in Rockland County this week.

Mr. Cuff also spoke in support of our local florists and in opposition to the proliferation of gypsy florists on our public roads.

Appearance: Mr. Russel Trojan
Nanuet, New York

Mr. Trojan spoke regarding an upcoming public hearing on Stewart Airport at the Hotel Thayer in West Point. He urged the Town to send a representative there on October 26th to try to get the Piermont Branch reopened between Spring Valley and Suffern so that we can have trains running from Nanuet to Stewart Airport and eventually from Congers to Stewart Airport.

Appearance: Mr. James Lee
West Nyack, New York

Mr. Lee spoke regarding the issue of police coverage noting that one of the reasons he chose Clarkstown as his place of residence was because of the good police department and the protection he expects here. He urged the Board to make sure all areas of the Town are covered.

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Appearance: Mr. Gerry Miller
New City, New York

Mr. Miller spoke regarding cable television and channel capacity. He also discussed rate setting and was told by Supervisor Holbrook that we would soon be certified to do just that. Mr. Miller said we are being overcharged as three channels (29, 50 and 62) are providing the same service. We should be charged for only one of those channels.

Appearance: Mr. Ted Dusanenko, Sr.
New City, New York

Mr. Dusanenko requested that Town Board Meetings be televised on WRKL. He requested a resolution to that effect this evening. He said he had presented petitions and has received no answer regarding them. He also spoke regarding the proposed tax increase on businesses and commercial properties. He mentioned Theater in the Round noting that we now have a tax free tenant instead of a community parking lot during the day.

Appearance: Ms. Marie Bouchard
Congers, New York

Ms. Bouchard spoke regarding the share program in the Police Department as to sectors covered. She inquired if it was between Congers/Valley Cottage? Councilman Mandia stated that it hasn't been done yet and it still remains to be seen if it is going to be done. It is not a fait accompli. Patrols are out there right now. Councilman Mandia noted that response time of our police is remarkable. We will make sure it stays that way.

Ms. Bouchard asked what was the end result of the ice rink. Supervisor said at the present time it is still in limbo. She said good; keep it there.

Appearance: Mr. Steve Hoffman
New City, New York

Mr. Hoffman spoke regarding the transfer of funds and requested more clarification of these items.

RESOLUTION NO. (653-1993)

ACCEPTING MINUTES OF
TOWN BOARD MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 28, 1993

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Smith seconded

RESOLVED, that the Town Board minutes of September 28, 1993, are hereby accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (654-1993)

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR
TO ENTER INTO
AGREEMENT RE DEMAREST
KILL, NEW CITY

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RESOLUTION NO. (654-1993) Continued

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkstown has investigated, designed and prepared contract drawings for certain improvements to the Demarest Kill drainage system from New Hempstead Road and Main Street, New City, to Old Route 304, to correct for structural deficiencies and hydraulic limitations, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 420-1993 of the Rockland County Legislature has appropriated the sum of \$275,000.00 to be contributed towards the cost of the project referred to herein to be paid to the Town of Clarkstown upon the execution of the construction contract for said project, and

WHEREAS, Benerofe Properties, Inc., a property owner in the vicinity of the Demarest Kill at Squadron Boulevard, New City, has proposed to the Town of Clarkstown that it would contribute the sum of \$300,000.00 toward the cost of completion of the project referred to herein which would provide benefits to said property owner as well as to the public in general, and

WHEREAS, said property owner has also proposed to grant to the Town of Clarkstown a permanent easement and right-of-way through its property for the relocation of the Demarest Kill in accordance with the plans and specifications for the subject project provided the Town would convey to it surplus municipal lands abutting its property which would result from the relocation of a portion of Squadron Boulevard, upon completion of the drainage project, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has duly considered its obligations to the public and the benefits to the Town which would result of the subject project was undertaken and has determined that the private contribution offered by Benerofe Properties, Inc. as described in its proposal is fair and equitable and would permit the successful completion of the project in an expeditious manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract in a form approved by the Town Attorney, with Benerofe Properties, Inc., which shall provide for a cash contribution of \$300,000.00 payable in two equal installments of \$150,000.00 each with the first installment payable upon signing of the agreement and the balance within twelve months thereafter, provided, however, that said agreement encumbers the affected property with an obligation in the form of a lien which runs with the land to guarantee said contribution shall be paid together with interest at the legal rate if not paid as agreed, and provided further that said agreement shall provide for the reciprocal transfer of a permanent easement to the Town of Clarkstown for the relocation of Demarest Kill as per the project design in exchange for transfer of the abutting portion of the former right-of-way of Squadron Boulevard, with any and all costs for surveying, plotting and recording the instruments of exchange to be paid by Benerofe Properties. This agreement shall be subject and conditioned upon the issuance by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation of a permit for the work to be performed.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

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RESOLUTION NO. (654-1993) Continued

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (655-1993)

AUTHORIZING FIRE LANE
DESIGNATIONS AT
SKYVIEW PLAZA, CENTRAL
NYACK

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, the Building Inspector and the Fire Inspector of the Town of Clarkstown recommend implementing certain provisions of Local Law No. 9-1971, as amended, known as the VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LOCAL LAW, more particularly designated as Chapter 278, Sec. 13, of the Code of the Town of Clarkstown, at

Skyview Plaza
Ingalls Street & Route 59
Central Nyack, New York 10960

by the installation of fire lane designations, and

WHEREAS, Edmund Lane, the owner and/or person in general charge of the operation and control of the parking area located in the Town of Clarkstown, has authorized that the Town of Clarkstown install said fire lane designations;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to said Local Law No. 9-1971, as amended, the Town Board hereby directs that the aforementioned recommendations of the Building Inspector and the Fire Inspector with regard to the installation of certain fire lane designations shall be installed by the Superintendent of Highways upon the review and approval of the Traffic and Traffic Fire Safety Advisory Board of the Town of Clarkstown.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (656-1993)

TOWN ATTORNEY TO
DEFEND PROCEEDING
(O'CONNOR V. POLICE
COMMISSION, ET AL.

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

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

In the Matter of the Application of

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RESOLUTION NO. (656-1993) Continued

KEVIN O'CONNOR and THE ROCKLAND COUNTY
PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC.,

Petitioners,

-against-

THE POLICE COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF
CLARKSTOWN AND TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN,

Respondents.

For a Judgment pursuant to Article 78
of the CPLR, annulling a determination
dismissing Petitioner from his
position as a police officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

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

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (657-1993)

ACCEPTING DEED FOR
SEWER AND DRAINAGE
PURPOSES (HIDDEN BROOK
SUBDIVISION)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, as a condition to the approval of a final
subdivision map known as "Hidden Brook," the Planning Board of
the Town of Clarkstown required a deed for sewer and drainage
purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the
Department of Environmental Control, deed dated September 21,
1993 from Martin Feldi to the Town of Clarkstown, gratuitously
conveying sewer and drainage easements, is hereby accepted and
ordered recorded in the Rockland County Clerk's Office.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

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RESOLUTION NO. (658-1993)

AUTHORIZING ECONOMIC
ASSISTANCE FOR HEAD
START NYACK COMMUNITY
CHILD DEVELOPMENT
CENTER

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, in a form approved by the Town Attorney, with the following non-profit organization, to provide services and early childhood educational programs that are deemed beneficial to Town residents, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board shall allocate the following sum:

Head Start Nyack Community
Child Development Center, Inc. \$1,050.00

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that these funds are to assist in providing such services for the calendar year 1993 and are to be charged against Account #A 8840-424.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (659-1993)

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO
MARGARETANN RIES FOR
PREPARATION OF
TRANSCRIPT (CONLON)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$555.75 be paid to Margaretann Ries, Secretary to the Board of Appeals, for the preparation of the transcript in the matter of James & Claire Conlon v. The Board of Appeals (Appeal No. 2532).

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Abstain
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (660-1993)

INCREASING REVENUE
ACCOUNT AND
APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT
(PARKS BOARD AND
RECREATION)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkstown Parks Board and Recreation Commission is going to receive the amount of

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RESOLUTION NO. (660-1993) Continued

\$15,000.00 from a New York State Grant,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to increase revenue account #A-01-10-3815-0 (New York State Preservation of Parks) by the amount of \$15,000.00 and increase appropriation account #7140-408 (Parks and Playgrounds - Building Repairs) by the amount of \$15,000.00.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (661-1993)

INCREASE REVENUE
ACCOUNT AND INCREASE
APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT
(PARKS BOARD AND
RECREATION COMMISSION)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkstown Parks Board and Recreation Commission is going to receive the amount of \$14,500.00 from a New York State Grant,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to increase revenue account #A-01-10-3815-0 (New York State Preservation of Parks) by the amount of \$14,500.00 and increase appropriation account #7140-408 (Parks and Playgrounds - Building Repairs) by the amount of \$14,500.00.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (662-1993)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, various funds require additional funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to make the following transfers:

\$1,000.00	A 3230 313 (DARE- Office Supplies)	A 3230 404 (Travel, Mileage)
\$6,000.00	A 885 (Reserve for DARE)	A 3230 319 (Misc. Supplies)
\$1,600.00	A 1355 463 (Assessor- Data Process)	A 1355 204 (Office Machines)

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RESOLUTION NO. (662-1993) Continued

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (663-1993) TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, various funds require additional funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to decrease Contingency Account No. A 1990-505 by \$12,825.00 and increase the following Appropriation Accounts:

A 1010-313 (Councilmen-Office Supplies).....\$ 65.00
A 1680-313 (Data Processing-Office Supplies).....\$ 5.00
A 1680-314 (" " -Computer Supplies).....\$ 625.00
A 1680-328 (" " -Books & Publications).....\$ 270.00
A 3010-110 (Safety Compliance-Salaries).....\$2,060.00
A 6410-405 (Advertising).....\$1,000.00
A 8090-409 (Aquatic Pests-Fees for Services).....\$4,500.00
A 9710-409 (Debt Services-Fees for Services).....\$4,300.00

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, to increase Appropriation Account No. A 3120-409 (Police-Fees for Services) by \$5,700.00 and decrease the following Appropriation Accounts:

A 3140-409 (Canine-Fees for Services).....\$ 200.00
A 3140-414 (" -Conferences & Schools).....\$ 500.00
A 1120-201 (Youth Court-Furniture & Fixtures).....\$ 500.00
A 3120-201 (Police-Furniture & Fixtures).....\$2,500.00
A 3120-209 (" -Other Equipment).....\$2,000.00

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, to decrease Appropriation Account No. DA 5130-306 (Highway-Maintenance Supplies) to DA 5130-447 (Equipment Repairs) by \$1,500.00.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (664-1993) TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkstown has received \$4,314.40 from the insurance company for cost of repairs to police car numbers 215 and 218,

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RESOLUTION NO. (664-1993) Continued

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to transfer said funds from Liability Insurance to the General Fund and increase Estimated Revenue Account No. A 01 8 2680 (General Fund-Insurance Recoveries) and Appropriation Account No. A 1640 406 (Town Garage-Repairs to Vehicles) by \$4,314.00.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilman Mandia.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (665-1993)

INCREASING ESTIMATED
REVENUE ACCOUNT AND
APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkstown has entered into a contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice to receive funding in the amount of \$15,000.00 for an in-house police training program,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to increase Estimated Revenue Account A 01 10 3828 (Division of Criminal Justice) and Appropriation Account A 3120 417 1 by \$15,000.00.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

- Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
- Councilman Maloney.....Yes
- Councilman Mandia.....Yes
- Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
- Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (666-1993)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

WHEREAS, various funds require additional funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, to decrease Appropriation Account No. A 1220-319 (Supervisor-Misc. Supplies) and increase A 1220-313 (Office Supplies & Prtg.) by \$20.00; decrease A 1670-313 (Mail & Copy-Office Supplies & Prtg.) and increase A 1670-201 (Furniture & Fixtures) by \$200.00, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, to increase Estimated Revenue Account No. A 01 14 2999 (General Fund-Unexpended Balance) and Appropriation Account No. A 3325-219 (NYS Energy Grant-Misc. Equipment) by \$60,264.00.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

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Councilman Dusanenko.....	Yes
Councilman Maloney.....	Yes
Councilman Mandia.....	Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....	Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....	Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (667-1993)

CORRECTING RESOLUTION
627-1993 AUTHORIZING
ADVERTISING FOR BID
#62-1993 - VOICE
RECORDING SYSTEM FOR
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Mandia seconded

RESOLVED, that Town Board Resolution No. 627-1993 is hereby corrected to read,

RESOLVED, that the Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for:

BID #62-1993
VOICE RECORDING SYSTEM FOR POLICE DEPT.

bids to be returnable to the Office of the Director of Purchasing, 10 Maple Avenue, New City, New York by 11:00 A.M. on October 28, 1993 at which time bids will be opened and read, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that bid specifications and proposal documents can be obtained at the Office of the Clarkstown Director of Purchasing.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....	Yes
Councilman Maloney.....	Yes
Councilman Mandia.....	Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....	Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....	Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (668-1993)

CORRECTING RESOLUTION
628-1993 ADVERTISING
FOR BID #63-1993 -
ANTENNA SYSTEM FOR
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Mandia seconded

RESOLVED, that Town Board resolution No. 628-1993 is hereby corrected to read,

RESOLVED, that the Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for:

BID #63-1993
ANTENNA SYSTEM FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

bids to be returnable to the Office of the Director of Purchasing, 10 Maple Avenue, New City, New York by 11:00 A.M. on October 28, 1993 at which time bids will be opened and read, and be it

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RESOLUTION NO. (668-1993) Continued

FURTHER RESOLVED, that bid specifications and proposal documents can be obtained at the Office of the Clarkstown Director of Purchasing.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (669-1993)

AWARDING BID #54-1993
- PLAYGROUNDS CONGERS
LAKE AND LAKE NANUET
(UNIVERSAL PLAY
SYSTEMS, INC.)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Recreation and Parks and the Director of Purchasing that

BID #54-1993
CONSTRUCTION OF PLAYGROUNDS AT CONGERS LAKE
MEMORIAL PARK AND LAKE NANUET PARK

is hereby awarded to

UNIVERSAL PLAY SYSTEMS, INC.
33 CHELSEA ROAD
NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. 10805
PRINCIPAL: LAUREN MARTELLI

as per their low bid proposal of \$35,461.74 for the entire project.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (670-1993)

AWARDING BID #55-1993
- COMPRESSED GASES &
WELDING SUPPLIES
(CONNECTICUT AIRGAS
AND AMERICAN
COMPRESSED GASES)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Director of Purchasing that

BID #55-1993
COMPRESSED GASES & WELDING SUPPLIES

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is hereby awarded to

CONNECTICUT AIRGAS
D/B/A CRYODYNE AIRGAS
PARK ROAD
BRIARCLIFF MANOR, N.Y. 10510
PRINCIPAL: PUBLIC CORPORATION

AMERICAN COMPRESSED GASES
316 ROUTE 304
BARDONIA, N.Y. 10954
PRINCIPAL: FRED HAWKES

as per the attached item/price schedule

(Item/price schedule on file in Town Clerk's Office)

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (671-1993)

AWARDING BID #60-1993
- SALE OF SURPLUS
VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT
(WOODSIDE MOTORS, MARK
GOTTENBERG, MILES
KUCCHAR, NORTH WHITE
AUTO INC.)

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the
Director of Purchasing that

BID #60-1993
SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT

is hereby awarded to:

WOODSIDE MOTORS
43-29 CRESCENT STREET
LONG ISLAND CITY, NY 11101
PRINCIPALS: JACK GINGOLD
BILL HUPPERT

MARK GOTTENBERG
3449 ROUTE 32
SAUGERTIES, NY 12477
PRINCIPAL: MARK GOTTENBERG

MILES KUCCHAR
22 DONNYBROOK ROAD
MONTVALE, NJ 07645
PRINCIPAL: DONALD M. KUCCHAR

NORTH WHITE AUTO INC.
33 VIRGINIA ROAD
NORTH WHITE PLAINS, NY 10603
PRINCIPAL: FRANK ANNUNCIATE

as per the attached item/price schedule.

(Item/price schedule on file in Town Clerk's Office)

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Abstain
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

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RESOLUTION NO. (672-1993)

REJECTING PROPOSAL AND
CANCELLING COMPETITIVE
BID #61-1993 - SALE OF
SURPLUS CATERPILLAR
ENGINE

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Smith seconded

RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the
Deputy Director of DEC that proposal received for

BID #61-1993
SALE OF SURPLUS CATERPILLAR ENGINE

is hereby rejected and that the competitive bid is hereby
cancelled.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (673-1993)

AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE
AT NEW YORK STATE
GOVERNMENT FINANCE
OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
DOWNSTATE COUNCIL
SEMINAR (SMITH, DUER,
SQUILLACE, LODICO,
FOGEL, AND DE FOREST)

Co. Maloney offere and Co. Smith seconded

RESOLVED, that the following personnel: Anne Marie
Smith, Edward J. Duer, Elizabeth J. Squillace, Dolores Lodico,
Doris Fogel and Mary DeForest are hereby authorized to attend
the New York State Government Finance Officers Association
Downstate Council Seminar at West Point, New York on Friday,
October 22, 1993, and that all proper charges be charged to
Appropriation Account A 1010-414.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....No
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (674-1993)

AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE
AT SEXUAL RIGHTS AND
RESPONSIBILITIES
CONFERENCE (CONNOLLY)

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Smith seconded

RESOLVED, Brian Connolly, Clarkstown Counseling
Center attend Sexual Rights and Responsibilities on October 19,
1993.

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RESOLUTION NO. (674-1993) Continued

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....	No
Councilman Maloney.....	Yes
Councilman Mandia.....	Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....	Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....	Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (675-1993)

ACCEPTING RESIGNATION
OF FIRE SAFETY
INSPECTOR - BUILDING
DEPARTMENT (WILLIAM F.
BOWLER)

Co. Dusanenko offered and Co. Mandia seconded

RESOLVED, that the resignation (by retirement) of William F. Bowler, 13 Pigeon Hill Road, Nanuet, New York - Fire Safety Inspector - Building Department - is hereby accepted - with regret - effective October 12, 1993.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....	Yes
Councilman Maloney.....	Yes
Councilman Mandia.....	Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....	Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....	Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (676-1993)

ACCEPTING RESIGNATION
OF LABORER - SEWER
DEPARTMENT (GEORGE
MEMIS)

Co. Dusanenko offered and Co. Mandia seconded

RESOLVED, that the resignation (by retirement) of George M. Memis, 61C Monterey Gardens, Bardonia, New York - Laborer - Sewer Department - is hereby accepted - with regret - effective and retroactive to October 2, 1993.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....	Yes
Councilman Maloney.....	Yes
Councilman Mandia.....	Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....	Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....	Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (677-1993)

GRANTING EXTENSION OF
SICK LEAVE OF ABSENCE
- TOWN JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT (LUCILLE
KELLY)

Co. Dusanenko offered and Co. Mandia seconded

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article XVIII, Section 3 (k) of the Labor Agreement between the Town of

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RESOLUTION NO. (677-1993) Continued

Clarkstown and the Clarkstown Unit of the C.S.E.A., Lucille Kelly, 249 North Middletown Road, Apt. 6B, Nanuet, New York, Clerk Typist - Town Justice Department - is hereby granted an extension of her Sick Leave of Absence - at one half pay - effective and retroactive to October 7, 1993 to November 7, 1993.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (678-1993)

GRANTING EXTENSION OF
SICK LEAVE OF ABSENCE
- HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
(JEFFREY MEARA)

Co. Dusanenko offered and Co. Mandia seconded

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Meara has requested an extension of his leave of absence, without pay, and

WHEREAS, Article XIX, Section I of the Town of Clarkstown Labor Agreement provides for a leave of absence, without pay,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby recognizes the granting of the leave of absence, without pay, by the Superintendent of Highways, for Jeffrey Meara, 686 Sierra Vista Lane, Valley Cottage, New York - Laborer - Highway Department - effective September 30, 1993 to December 31, 1993.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....Yes
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....Yes
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

RESOLUTION NO. (679-1993)

AUTHORIZING
INSTALLATION OF "NO
PARKING BETWEEN SIGNS"
AMERICAN LEGION WAY,
NEW CITY

Co. Smith offered and Co. Maloney seconded

RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Highways is hereby authorized to install signs reading "No Parking Between Signs" on both ends of property belonging to Joseph Cetrone at 66 American Legion Way, New City.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

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On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the public hearing re: Proposed Local Law - Amendment to Chapter 18 of the Town Code (Ethics) was opened, time: 8:35 P.M.

On Motion of Councilman Dusanenko, seconded by Councilman Maloney and unanimously adopted, the public hearing re: Proposed Local Law - Amendment to Chapter 18 of the Town Code (Ethics) was closed, RESOLUTION RESERVING DECISION ADOPTED, time: 8:37 P.M.

RESOLUTION NO. (682-1993) RESERVING DECISION ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 18 (ETHICS, CODE OF) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Smith seconded

WHEREAS, a public hearing regarding the Amendment to Chapter 18 (Ethics, Code of) of the Code of the Town of Clarkstown was called for October 12, 1993, and

WHEREAS, such public hearing was held at the time called for,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that a resolution to reserve decision on said amendment is hereby offered.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Councilman Dusanenko.....No
Councilman Maloney.....Yes
Councilman Mandia.....No
Councilwoman Smith.....Yes
Supervisor Holbrook.....Yes

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the public hearing re: Proposed Local Law - Amendment to Chapter 278 of the Town Code (Vehicle & Traffic), was opened, time: 8:40 P.M.

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilwoman Smith and unanimously adopted, the public hearing re: Proposed Local Law - Amendment to Chapter 278 of the Town Code (Vehicle & Traffic), was closed, RESOLUTION ADOPTED, time: 8:45 P.M.

RESOLUTION NO. (683-1993) ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 3-1993 - AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 278 (VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC)

Co. Maloney offered and Co. Mandia seconded

WHEREAS, a proposed local law entitled:

"AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 278 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN"

was introduced by Councilman Maloney at a Town Board meeting held on September 14, 1993, and

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RESOLUTION NO. (683-1993) Continued

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Clarkstown by resolution adopted on September 14, 1993, directed that a public hearing be held on October 12, 1993, at 8:40 P.M., and

WHEREAS, a notice of said hearing was duly prepared and published in the Journal News on September 24, 1993, and

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposed local law in final form was placed on the desks of the Supervisor and the Councilmen at their office at the Clarkstown Town Hall, 10 Maple Avenue, New City, New York, on September 13, 1993, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Town Board of the Town of Clarkstown on October 12, 1993;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 4 - 1993, entitled:
"AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 278 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC)
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN"

is hereby ADOPTED and passed by an affirmative vote of the Town Board of the Town of Clarkstown, the vote for adoption being as follows:

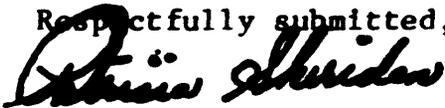
- Charles E. Holbrook, Supervisor.....Yes
- John R. Maloney, Councilman.....Yes
- Ralph F. Mandia, Councilman.....Yes
- Ann Marie Smith, Councilwoman.....Yes
- Theodore R. Dusanenko, Councilman...Yes

The Clerk of the Town of Clarkstown was directed to file the local law pursuant to Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the public hearing re: Proposed 1994 Town of Clarkstown Budget was opened, time: 8:50 P.M.

On motion of Councilwoman Smith, seconded by Councilman Maloney and unanimously adopted, the public hearing re: Proposed 1994 Town of Clarkstown Budget was closed, time: 10:00 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the Town Board and no one further wishing to be heard, on motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the Town Board Meeting was declared closed: 10:01 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA SHERIDAN,
Town Clerk

TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN
PUBLIC HEARING

Town Hall

10/12/93

8:35 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Holbrook
Council Members Dusanenko, Maloney, Mandia & Smith
Murray N. Jacobson, Town Attorney
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

RE: Proposed Local Law - Amendment to Chapter 18 of the Code
of the Town of Clarkstown re: Ethics

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the public hearing was declared open. Town Clerk read notice calling public hearing and testified as to proper posting and publication.

Town Attorney said this needs to be done by Local Law to compensate the members of the Board of Ethics. Supervisor said the present level is \$1,500.00 for the Chairman and \$1,000.00 for each member.

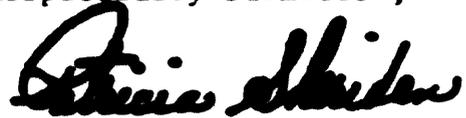
Supervisor asked if there was anyone wishing to ask a question or make a comment?

Appearance: Mr. Steve Hoffman
New City, New York

Mr. Hoffman said it seems we just let government grow and grow and grow. We are talking about a small amount here but he said he was talking about a principle. He said if you compensate them, a year from now he was sure you are going to say they deserve a raise, then another raise and then another raise. There will be another level of government built into the structure. It just goes on and on like this. You start off small and you perpetuate and you perpetuate. He said he did not want to make more of this than it is. He said he is totally against it and he thinks we are just letting government grow out of hand. He urged rection of it.

There being no one further wishing to be heard on motion of Councilman Dusanenko, seconded by Councilman Maloney and unanimously adopted, the public hearing was declared closed, RESOLUTION RESERVING DECISION ADOPTED, time: 8:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA SHERIDAN,
Town Clerk

(Resolution No. 682-1993 Reserving Decision Adopted)

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PUBLIC HEARING

Town Hall

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8:40 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Holbrook
Council Members Dusanenko, Maloney, Mandia & Smith
Murray N. Jacobson, Town Attorney
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

Re: Local Law No. 3 - Amendment to Vehicle & Traffic Law

On motion of Councilman Maloney, Seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the public hearing was declared open. Town Clerk read notice calling public hearing and testified as to proper posting and publication.

Town Attorney said the purpose of this local law is that the state enabling action act which is 1660a of the Vehicle and Traffic Law was amended to provide for roadways or driveways in industrial parks and industrial complexes. The purpose of this amendment is to update our code to provide for regulation of traffic in these entities as is provided now in the enabling act by the State Legislature.

Supervisor asked if any of the Board members had any questions?

Councilman Dusanenko said by way of clarification this would allow the police to write a ticket as they would under the V & T violations on private property if so designated by the Town in its code, is that correct? Town Attorney stated that was correct. Councilman Dusanenko said so if someone is cutting across the shopping center, instead of going up and down the lanes that is reckless driving, crossing lanes, etc.? Town Attorney said if we've taken jurisdiction over it you have to be invited by the owners. Assuming the owner has done so, we've taken jurisdiction and we are regulating traffic so if a car does that it can be ticketed.

Supervisor asked if any member of the public wished to ask a question or make a comment? No one did.

There being no one wishing to be heard on motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilwoman Smith and unanimously adopted, the public hearing was declared closed, RESOLUTION ADOPTED, time: 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully adopted,



PATRICIA SHERIDAN,
Town Clerk

(Resolution No. (683-1993) Adopted

TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN
PUBLIC HEARING

Town Hall

10/12/93

8:50 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Holbrook
Council Members Dusanenko, Maloney, Mandia & Smith
Murray N. Jacobson, Town Attorney
Patricia Sheridan, Town Clerk

Re: Town of Clarkstown 1994 Budget

On motion of Councilman Maloney, seconded by Councilman Mandia 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 asked if there was anyone present wishing to make a comment or ask a question relative to the preliminary budget?

Appearance: Mr. John Cuff
West Nyack, New York

Mr. Cuff said there is a 0% tax increase for homeowners which sounds very good. Unfortunately, it looks as though our commercial property owners and business people here in Clarkstown are going to get lambasted again. He said he is not that familiar with, nor has that much working knowledge of, the Homestead Act but he didn't think many did, including members of the Board. He said it is time to sharpen our pencils and get busy and make sure that there is not going to be an impact on our commercial property owners. He said he has often had a lot of criticism for the Clarkstown School District but he has to admire the members of the School Board who spend three and four hour sessions two or three nights a week, who go in at 8:00 A.M. on a Saturday morning, break for lunch and are there until 4:00 or 5:00 in the afternoon trying to find ways to bring in a budget that is acceptable to the voters. If these unpaid servants, who serve on the Clarktown School Board put in all the hours that they do, surely the well paid members of our Town Board can dedicate a couple of evenings or more a week and sit down and go over the budget department by department and find ways to bring the budget down even more.

Mr. Cuff said if the Supervisor can whip up a budget with a 0% tax increase for the homeowner surely with the help of the four councilpeople in a couple of good sessions he can bring in a budget that is not going to have an impact on our commercial property owners here in Clarkstown. Small business and even big business is in serious trouble today. He said he has been told, without facts to back it, that our commercial property owners got a very heavy hit during the last school tax in September - somewhere in the neighborhood of 20% to 22%. When talking to entrepreneurs here in Clarkstown they tell him that the only way they can survive is by turning around and passing it on to the consumer. You really are not saving us a heck of a lot of money when you turn around and give us a zero tax increase which does sound beautiful to the media and to the uninformed but if we want to go out shopping here in Clarkstown or if we want to go to a restaurant here in Clarkstown we are going to have to pay extra money just so they can stay in business. That tells me, ladies and gentlemen, that it is time to turn on the midnight oil, roll up the sleeves, get out the pencil and start trimming. He said he did not know how it's going to affect the homeowners but it certainly would be nice if we saw a zero tax increase for homeowners and maybe even more but definitely something has to be done to take care of the business and commercial people

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here in Clarkstown. He said he realizes that their numbers are not as great when it comes to collection time but that is not what we are here for. We are here to see that everybody gets a fair shake. He said he was prepared to come in and watch the board go through their workshop sessions and watch you go to work. Let's try to get this all done before Election Day.

Appearance: Mr. Ray DeFalco
Congers, New York

Mr. DeFalco asked if there was anything missing from this budget? Supervisor said not that he was aware of. Mr. DeFalco said the numbers don't add up. Mr. DeFalco asked if the budget is usually adopted before election? Supervisor answered that it has been. Mr. DeFalco asked if the amended budget was done after election? Supervisor said when we adopt a budget it is adopted period. Mr. DeFalco said then the amended budget is anything that is added on after? Supervisor said no they are funds that moved from one line to another. The amount of the budget is what the Town Board approves.

Mr. DeFalco said on Page 34 you have special investigations. You had zero expenses in 1992. You adopted a budget in 1993 for \$250,000.00. You had zero expenses in 1993 and yet you are asking for another \$278,000.00 in 1994. Why? Supervisor said last year the expenses were in the Sanitation District for the Special Investigation Unit because that is primarily where their activities were located. It is the same amount basically only taking into account some increases for salaries, that is all. Mr. DeFalco said then this is a transfer? Supervisor said it was in the budget last year only it was in the Sanitation District because of investigators relative to the carters who were trying to bypass the Transfer Station. As a result of their work, the Town this year will acquire approximately \$300,000.00 in revenue. In addition to that, next year, we will obtain another \$500,000.00 as part of settlements or civil agreements which we have worked out with some of the carters. It more than pays for itself. Mr. DeFalco said so this money was transferred from the Sanitation Department? Supervisor said it was in last year's budget in the Sanitation District. Mr. DeFalco said it doesn't show a transfer in this budget. Supervisor said it was in there last year. It is now in the Police Budget under SIU this year.

Mr. DeFalco said on page 102, line 112 we have the same situation. You go to 1992 expenses which are \$500,000.00 where it says other personnel - it was \$964,000.00. Then you have 0 expenses and then you have \$200,000.00. You don't show transfers. Where did that money go? You show no use but then you show \$200,000.00. You are up to \$1,000,000.00+ unless you show me all your transfers and where that money went.

Mr. Duer, Comptroller, said you are looking at the year to date that doesn't reflect the other personnel charges. Is that what you are looking at? Mr. DeFalco said he is looking at what you have - 0 - in the year to date for the last nine months. Mr. Duer said that is year to date as of 9/30. Supervisor said sometimes it doesn't come in until after that. Mr. DeFalco said you have nothing in that column and that is the same thing you had last year and the year prior. Mr. Duer said last year - 1992 - we had \$500,000.00. This year we have \$964,000.00. Basically, what we do at the end of nine months or at the end of the year we evaluate and make the allocations from various other departments for work that is being done. For example, in the Highway Department with regard to their leaf pick-up these monies are then transferred from that

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particular department into the SR Fund. For comparative purposes during the year we like to leave the salary numbers in each department so that we can monitor how much salary is from department to department. Mr. Duer said either at nine months or at the end of the year we make an allocation. Supervisor said because we haven't spent the money yet. When we spend the money then we will transfer. Mr. Duer said we basically keep the department pure so that we know what the salary numbers are by each department. Mr. DeFalco said you have no transfers in this thing. Supervisor said that is because there hasn't been a transfer. Mr. Duer said it is an allocation of salary from other departments.

Mr. DeFalco said it bothers him when they talk about a 0% increase. Why are expenses and operating costs going up? If you are coming in with something that shows 0% increase you should show 0% expenses and operating costs. You tell the public that you have come up with 0% increase. Now you tax the people on your mortgage tax - Supervisor stated that we are not taxing them on the mortgage tax. Mr. DeFalco said where does that money come from? Supervisor said it comes when people have a mortgage and half of 1% goes to the state and the other half goes to the municipality. Mr. DeFalco said isn't that a tax? Supervisor said well it is a tax but it is under state law and is revenue to the Town. Mr. DeFalco said no it is not revenue to the Town; it is taken from the people. Supervisor said there is an expense side to a budget and a revenue side to a budget. Mr. DeFalco said when you say revenue to the Town that money comes out of us and that is no revenue to the Town. Supervisor said it comes out of people who purchase homes or sell homes. Mr. DeFalco said who live in the Town of Clarkstown and pay taxes. He said he did not understand how a statement could be made like that when you know at the same time taxes are being taken from one hand to the other hand and we're being taxed on it and you are trying to take credit for a 0% increase when the operating expenses have gone up \$2,500,000.00 year after year. Now, if you want to take credit you come out and say there is no operating increase. Mr. DeFalco said you are fooling the people like this and it is not right.

Appearance: Mr. Vijay Pradhan
West Nyack, New York

Mr. Pradhan said he is a candidate for the Clarkstown Town Board but is not here to speak politically. He congratulated Supervisor Holbrook for not raising the taxes this year at all. Twice in a row you did it. He congratulated the entire Town Board including his political opponents. He said there are some places where they could work together and bring some things out and that is where he would like to work with the Board. He said he has great confidence in the Supervisor and knows that he is a very able and very efficient captain of this boat. We have some extra cargo on this boat and we have to get rid of that. He said with his new vision, his new ideas, and his courage he thought they could do it together. He said let's work together and do that.

Appearance: Mr. Joseph Pantano
New City, New York

Mr. Pantano said from what he read in the newspapers the tax increase to the homeowners would be 0% and to business 6-1/2%? Supervisor said 6.5%. If you lowered, because I don't know the formula, how much would you have to lower the homeowners to get a 0% - Supervisor said it would be the overall budget. He said we were looking at those figures

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and going through it. The actual on the homeowners is down 1.6%. We would probably have to go another three quarters of a million dollars to a million. Mr. Pantano said so approximately 3-1/2% to 4%. Supervisor said what skewed it a little for the commercial was the appropriation by the state of vacant lands and had that not occurred you would be looking more like a 3% on the commercial as opposed to 6%. Mr. Pantano said he is aware of the change although he did not know quite how it happened but he is aware of it. Supervisor said they know how it happened through a person on the board. We weren't in favor of that.

Mr. Pantano said in going through the budget, and he appreciated receiving a copy in a timely fashion, he noted \$471,000,036.00 in vacation buy backs. Was this done by contract? By the Board? How? Supervisor said it is allocated as a result of contractual obligations for those who elect to do that rather than have the Town hire personnel to cover that vacation time. Mr. Pantano said then this was done by contract and he would make a suggestion that the next time you negotiate with the different unions that you take that feature out of your contracts because in the school district we adopted an idea which is done in many places - in private industry as well as municipal government - if you take your vacation, fine. If you don't, you don't get paid. You don't get it and that's it. That is something that is not going to affect this budget but he would ask the Town Board to think about that when the contracts come around.

Mr. Pantano asked if he was correct that \$200,000.00 in budget equals 1%. Supervisor said it depends on the fund but for the A Fund you are probably close to \$350,000.00. Mr. Pantano said then in order to reduce it 1% you would have to reduce it by \$350,000.00. He was told that was correct.

Mr. Pantano commended the Supervisor as he stated that in the 30 years that he has been before this Town Board the Supervisor has never come in with a 0% budget or less.

Mr. Pantano said he would like to recommend some sharpening of pencils in the overtime budget which shows \$186,000.00. He said he did not know what benefits would accrue to that \$186,000.00 because he realizes some of the benefits would come in and some wouldn't. He said he has a ballpark figure of \$220,000.00 with benefits. He felt the overtime is the most unproductive part of the budget.

Mr. Pantano said the second part is in the 200 and 300 categories. The 200 categories are your equipment, furniture, office machines, etc. Your 300 are office and computer supplies, books and publications, etc. They include other things. Your 200 code from what I was able to glean from the budget adds up to \$620,060.00. Your 300 code - \$1,853,225.00. A simple 10% to 15% cut in those areas would give you approximately a 1% decrease in the budget without affecting any personnel. He said he did not think you could do that across the board because there are some areas where you can't cut supplies.

Mr. Pantano asked the Board to consider cuts - page 3 in expense book. He asked why there is such a difference in the Youth Court in what is expended and what is asked for in the budget? Mr. Duer said you are looking at the salary line there. He said there is an allocation of some police department salaries that do go over to the Youth Court. We normally make these allocations once a year. We try to keep

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track of the salaries by department. Mr. Pantano said he would like the Board to look into that area. If it is all in another area he could understand that but if it isn't he would like to see that area on a proportion.

Mr. Pantano mentioned page 13 and stated that he thinks we have too many attorneys with salary and benefits approximating \$25,000.00 and would like to see fewer attorneys.

Mr. Pantano said on page 23 you have a large increase in your data processing budget. The bottom line went from \$227,000.00 to \$368,000.00 and that is a 3% increase. Mr. Duer said during the year they were doing a lot of work in a lot of other areas that we allocated those particular fees for services to those specific areas. We charged those specific fees to those particular funds whereas next year we have them in the A Fund. Mr. Pantano said so you are telling me that it wasn't another fund? Supervisor said that is correct.

Mr. Pantano questioned the contingency fund and said he doesn't think this Town needs \$150,000.00 contingency fund. From looking at just the amended budget of last year - he believed it was \$49,000.00. Mr. Duer said it was down to \$49,000.00 and basically the way to read that is that you have \$200,000.00 was adopted. At this particular point of the \$200,000.00 we used \$150,000.00. Mr. Pantano said he would like to see that you are going to take an amount of money which we mentioned before in budget transfers he would like to see it come closer to the figure. If that is needed to run government that is okay but he would like to see it as low as is possible. He said he did not see the other years. Mr. Duer said that is because it is zeroed out. It is transferred into other funds. Mr. Pantano said he did not see the 1990-91 figures so he didn't know what had been transferred out by the years. Mr. Duer said this is a modest amount compared to what the state approved. Mr. Pantano said he would like to see as little money as possible in the contingency fund so it can go back to the taxpayer. Mr. Duer said basically last year we budgeted \$200,000.00 and this year we cut it just a thousand.

Mr. Pantano said on page 41, the expense budget for counseling services, he sees an increase in the salaries of 35% roughly from \$139,188.00, the total of that category being up 30% as well as the total budget of approximately 30%. He said he is not saying that they don't do a good job but he thinks that area is one area that you might look at in cuts. He said he doesn't know how that happened but he hopes it is not a salary increase. Mr. Duer said it is not a salary increase but in the 1993 budget that was prepared and adopted there was an error.

Mr. Pantano said on page 46 there is a lot of time in the part-time budget and that is in municipal transportation. Supervisor said that is because we have mostly part-time drivers. Mr. Pantano said one of the increases from last year is considerable. Supervisor said part of that is due to expanded routes and there is contractual as well. Mr. Pantano said to correct a former speaker there is a difference between fees for people who pay to use services and pay for those services. If you have a recreation department and you use those services you should pay a fee. That individual doesn't understand the difference between fees for services and taxes.

Mr. Pantano said on page 57 there is an amount that isn't spent there. He wanted an explanation. Can you tell me why there is no amount expended here to date and we have \$40,000.00? Mr. Duer said at this point we are looking at

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community beautification. Supervisor said that is cul-de-sac maintenance. Mr. Pantano said what happened that there was no money used? Supervisor said we have a contract. Mr. Pantano said is that monthly, quarterly or what? Supervisor said it is paid at the end of the season. Mr. Pantano said the other figures were about the same and the year to date was not and that was the question.

Mr. Pantano said on page 94 he noticed a large increase in the highway budget. He said if you have a decrease in overtime why can't that budget be cut a quarter of a million or more. He said increase in the highway budget from \$2.7 million to \$3.4 on salaries alone is about 23% or 24%. Supervisor said part of that actually was in the sanitation for leaf removal, etc., which we transferred back into this line. Part of it is for increase in salaries and part of it is as a result of that. Supervisor said that is about \$400,000.00. Mr. Pantano said so we still have another \$300,000.00 to cut.

Mr. Pantano said he took a few hours to look through the budget. It wasn't meant as a criticism of either the Supervisor or members of the Town Board. It's just that if you are going to ask the Town Board to make some cuts you ought to act responsibly and mention areas where they might cut. He said he does appreciate personally the Supervisor's efforts and he was sure the members of the Town Board would make other cuts. He said he would like to see a 4%, if possible, tax cut and no increase in the business taxes because as the gentleman said before it's going to come back and we are going to pay for it in another way. Members of the community would appreciate that.

Appearance: Ms. Arlene Owen
Congers, New York

Ms. Owen asked if the Town Board planned any workshops before this budget is adopted? Supervisor said that is up to the members of the Board. At this point we are taking input from the public. Ms. Owen said the public doesn't know the Town. She said the school board has workshops and they don't get paid for it. She asked why the Town Board did not have workshops and why the Town Council doesn't demand workshops? Supervisor stated that he had put together a budget over a six week period which was adopted as the Preliminary Budget. He said from some of the comments here it would appear we have done a relatively decent job with regard to it. Ms. Owen asked if department heads had been brought in? Supervisor said he had brought department heads in and to a large degree that is why the budget is the way it is. Ms. Owen asked does the Town Board speak with all the department heads? Supervisor said they can noting that he has spoken with all of them putting together the budget. Ms. Owen asked how can the Supervisor do that without a workshop? Supervisor said you have a document before you which is reflective of the input of department heads. Ms. Owen said in other words you do it by yourself? Supervisor said being a full time supervisor here in the Town we put this budget together from late August through September. Ms. Owen repeated so you do it yourself, the Town Board has no input? Supervisor said we have suggestions from Town Board members. We put the budget together. We did it last year and we have done it in other years. We have always had our public hearings prior to any elections. He said he thinks we are the only town to do that. A lot of towns have their public hearings comfortably after Election Day and don't get any input from the public. Ms. Owen said she has been at the public hearings and she has heard excellent suggestions, mentioning specifically Al Moroni, but has never seen anything

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accepted from the public. Supervisor said he thinks a lot of Mr. Moroni's suggestions were implemented. Ms. Owen said that is not true. She said you people are paid. She said the School Board is not paid but have workshop sessions and work very hard. She said she wants to know and she wants an answer. Why doesn't the Town Board demand workshops? Why aren't you out there? You are paid to do this. She said she does not think it is an unfair question. It has nothing to do with office but she just wants to know why the Town Board is not asking the questions? She said she is demanding an answer from every Town Board member as to why you don't have workshop sessions?

Councilman Dusanenko asked the Supervisor when there would be a workshop? Supervisor said there is a workshop on the 18th of October and noted that we had a workshop last Monday. Councilman Dusanenko said at the workshop next Monday are we going to work on the budget? Supervisor said yes we can. Ms. Owen asked if the workshop session would be on the budget? Supervisor said we have a workshop session on the 18th where we can discuss budget matters. Ms. Owen said are you just throwing in the budget? Supervisor said we are having a public hearing on the budget. Ms. Owen said I am not an expert. You are paid to do the budget. Supervisor said I have presented a budget which you have had the ability to peruse for the last couple of weeks. Ms. Owen said but it is not the people's job. Last time we filled this auditorium. The people came out. They screamed and yelled. You went back to your office. You came in with a zero in one day. Imagine what this board can do. Both the Supervisor and Councilwoman Smith said it did not happen in one day. Ms. Owen said well you called me and they told me it was done in one day. Supervisor said No. Ms. Owen said she got the call that afternoon that it was done. I got it from the office. Did you people have anything to do with it? Supervisor said Town Board members approved the budget unanimously last year. Ms. Owen said approved the budget, looked at the budget - she wants to know if you are having workshops on the budget. Supervisor said we are going to have one on the 18th, yes. Ms. Owen said on the budget, you are going to have a workshop on the budget? Supervisor said yes, and other things. Ms. Owen said she is going to be there and we'll see how long it lasts.

Appearance: Mr. Steve Hoffman
New City, New York

Mr. Hoffman noted that he was a candidate for Supervisor of the Town of Clarkstown. Mr. Hoffman said last year we had a budget. The budget came in with about a 5% increase. The Concerned Taxpayers came out - about 500 people - and did a lot of yelling. The taxes went down to -1%. The budget went up about \$2,500,000.00. During the workshop with department heads Councilman Dusanenko made a statement which I believe can be found on the record that the Town spent approximately two and one half hours questioning the budget. He asked Councilman Dusanenko to correct him on that if he was wrong. In a private conversation with Councilman Mandia he mentioned to me that the Supervisor spent about ten minutes discussing the budget with him. Mr. Hoffman asked Councilman Mandia if he was incorrect in that statement? Councilman Mandia said no you are not mistaken.

Mr. Hoffman said it is always amazing to him how a council can vote on a budget when nobody has discussed it. One man has made it up and it travels through a process of osmosis until all of a sudden we get a budget. He said let's correct a statement also. When you put in a budget of 5% please don't

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insult the public's intelligence by telling them you have cut the budget to -1% when you bring it in at 5%. The people forced the cut. You bought it in at 5%. That is the budget you submitted. That is what you must live with. This year you are planning a zero tax. It went up \$2.6 million dollars. Two years ago you came in at 5%. The public voted you into office. Then you raised the budget 3% to 4% more. Supervisor said no we didn't raise it. Mr. Hoffman said you tried to raise it. Supervisor said we didn't raise it. Mr. Hoffman said YOU tried to raise it. He said he believed you were fought by your own councilmen on that. He said to Councilman Maloney that he believed that he (Councilman Maloney) did fight on that.

Mr. Hoffman said since Mr. Holbrook has been in office we have gone from some \$20,000,000.00 in budget to \$72,000,000.00 or \$73,000,000.00. Supervisor said that is not true but go ahead and make it up as you go along. Mr. Hoffman said you will have a chance to refute it afterwards. Mr. Hoffman said it has gone up some \$50,000,000.00 since you are in office. The budget is a runaway. We talk about a zero tax, yet we're bonding like crazy with anticipated notes. We're bonding to pay tomorrow for what we're spending today. We talk about the Police Department - police and court facilities. He said he has a statement dated 6/30/93 which calls for a revenue budget of \$10,239,900.00 on which you have already expended \$4,917,000.00. You have encumbered \$239,000.00. That to me calls for a \$10,000,000.00+ courthouse or court facility.

Mr. Hoffman said on October 27, 1992 the Journal News printed an article by Dave McClendon. The contract called for \$8.6 million on the police/court facility. That doesn't include the \$1.3 to \$1.5 million for the land. It doesn't seem to include moving the counseling facilities. It doesn't seem to include furniture. It doesn't seem to include the surveillance cameras we have. It doesn't seem to include law books for the law library. It doesn't seem to include four part-time judges of which in our past no more than two have sat simultaneously. We keep talking about the lower number because it's very nice to talk about the lower number. It sounds better. The bottom line is we don't need that facility at all. Another plan was given on the budget a while back to take and put that facility as an add on to this building for about \$4,000,000.00 or \$4,500,000.00. That would have given us parking downstairs. It would have given us room for the so-called police department/court facilities. It would have saved us about \$7,000,000.00 to be put back in the taxpayers pockets or to be used for something else. Instead we elected to spend close to \$11,000,000.00 for a Taj Mahal across the street. He said he thinks the public is going to love it when it sees the new chandeliers that are going in. Mr. Hoffman said one of the reasons he (the Supervisor) gave today was if we hire women policemen they need a place to change. He said \$11,000,000.00 for a place for them to change their clothes is one hell of a price to pay. Supervisor said there were other reasons.

Mr. Hoffman said we have a nightmare in garbage, in bulk pick-ups and at the landfill. We have a zoning problem where we have endangered people's lives and haven't satisfied the problem yet but we talk about zero in the new budget as if it was something wonderful. He mentioned an article from the Journal News which appeared in October, 1993 noting the many companies which have left so many people go. Mr. Hoffman said the unique thing about business for profit when you don't make the profit you cut back. If you don't cut back you have to find a way to increase sales. Government, on the other hand,

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grows geometrically. We just keep growing and we grow out of proportion. It doesn't matter if the economy is bad. We talk about zero on the budget. He said he doesn't know what zero means. He said he would gladly applaud it if he understood it. All he knows from the corporate world when the budget goes up it is going to cost you more.

Mr. Hoffman said since 1986 our revenues have increased over 100%. Our expenses have increased way beyond that which means we are spending more than we are taking in. State aid and Federal aid has decreased. Other income has decreased but we keep spending more and more. We're just growing in bonded indebtedness - our total right now is \$43,697,000.00. Our bond anticipation notes are \$3,752,000.00 which means we're going to meet that for future revenue if we don't have future revenue we're going to meet that with tax dollars because that is the only other way we can get the money unless we borrow again on it. We keep going up and up.

Mr. Hoffman asked the Comptroller if it was a normal procedure to copy all Town Councilmen with every request made by one of them regardless of the nature of that request? He referred to a particular request which he said was copied to the whole Town Board. Mr. Duer said it depended on the nature of the request. Mr. Hoffman said is that at your option (meaning the Comptroller) or at their option? Mr. Duer said it is basically the nature of the request. Mr. Hoffman said he did not understand how Mr. Duer defined that. What's the parameter for the nature of the request? Mr. Duer said in this particular case he said he guessed he had the discretion in terms of passing on the information to the other members of the Board which is not uncommon. Mr. Hoffman said do you do this on a normal basis or just because my name happened to be part of this request. Mr. Duer said no, this is done on a normal basis. Councilman Dusanenko said it behooves everyone in Town Hall to know that information. Mr. Hoffman said it was no problem he just wanted to know procedure.

Mr. Hoffman stated that you've gone over budgets but not everybody understands the report that comes out. This is the budget that is submitted. You get a xerox copy of it but what you don't get is the bonded indebtedness sheets or anything else such as what is put in special districts that people are not aware of. We talk generally about the General Fund. He said right now something interesting has come out. He referred to Town of Clarkstown Audit Report - December 31, 1992, page 49. All deposits, including certificates of deposit are carried at cost plus accrued interest. There are a number of banks listed here. Bank of New York, Chemical Bank, Manufacturer's Hanover, Marine Midland, Union State, Chase Manhattan, Key Bank. On the bank balance it is interesting to note that Key Bank has \$4,474,000.00; Bank of New York has \$1,691,000.00; Union State Bank has \$13,855,000.00. He said that caused him to ask some other questions. He totalled the list from 1989, 1990 and 1991. Totals became very interesting. Union State in 1989 had \$1,261,000.00; in 1990 \$5,426,000.00; 1991 \$4,936,000.00; and in 1992 \$13,000,000.00.

Mr. Hoffman went into detail on mortgages the Supervisor has coming up with a total of \$485,000.00. He stated that he is calling for an investigation as to why one bank favored the Supervisor with \$500,000.00 worth of mortgages based upon his salary. Supervisor said it wasn't just his salary. It was his wife's salary too. Mr. Hoffman felt that wasn't enough to warrant \$500,000.00 in mortgages. Mr. Hoffman said in 1990 - Refuse and Garbage - we went into contract in May of 1990 when we started taxing the

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people. At that time we took in as revenue \$9.5 million dollars. He said he was not sure if Orangetown was part of that or not. However, the contract didn't start until May. We expended \$2,000,000.00. What happened to the other \$7.5 million dollars? Where did it go? We're paying tipping charges of \$81.00 a ton. Bridgeport is charging about \$31.00 to \$37.00 a ton - about a \$50.00 difference. We don't deliver enough garbage so we pay a penalty. To make Miele happy we then extend his contract at \$81.00 a ton plus because the plus will go up according to a formula. In the corporate world when a contract is extended the first question you ask is why a low bid is being cut out? He said he spoke to a gentleman named Nat Schettino. He tells me he could save this community \$2,000,000.00 a year and that he was low bidder and was taken out of the picture.

Mr. Hoffman said we also have a unique situation with bulk pickup. He said he believes the price was \$3.75 per home. He said he believes the new bid is \$3.25. Mr. Schettino said he would bid \$2.94 and Mr. Hoffman said if he hasn't been rejected yet he bets he will be. Mr. Hoffman said he and Ray DeFalco questioned bulk pick-up last year on the budget. We figured we could save about \$750,000.00 by cutting it down to twice a year. We found out that according to the contract he gets paid whether or not he picks up. If you cut it down to twice a year we still pay. He said he believes there is a new contract out this year and there is a provision written in there that there is some formula to affect this. He said when he read it, it was not clear to him because he is not an expert on wording. He said the bottom line is that we are paying far in excess of what we should be for garbage and you are asking this community to accept the budget that includes \$81.00 a ton tipping fee while in Ramapo the fee is \$37.00 a ton.

Mr. Hoffman said we collect metal. We deliver metal to the site and are given a credit for it. He said it was his information that every other community in Rockland County sells their metal. They don't pay to have it taken away but that's another thing we are asked to pay for in this wonderful budget. He said he was not going to go through page by page because the Supervisor has had a whole year to prepare this budget and you expect us to criticize it in ten or fifteen minutes standing up here.

Mr. Hoffman said right now our debt is almost \$44,000,000.00. We have debts that he did not even think were on the budget. The employee's union for the Town of Clarkstown according to the auditor's report of 1992 shows some 29,700 days of sick days that we have not paid for. It also shows 6,300+ vacation days we have not paid for. All of these will come due in the future. The audited report shows \$3,700,000.00 that we owe. Is that part of the bonded indebtedness or not? Mr. Duer said it is long term. Mr. Hoffman said that doesn't show in the bonded indebtedness. If he wanted to play with that number a little bit he could add another \$4,000,000.00 in debt to make it \$48,000,000.00.

Mr. Hoffman expressed great dissatisfaction with the budget. He said we are spending money that is beyond belief. He said he has been given three different numbers right now at Street School for the lighting at the fields. The highest is \$800,000.00. The lowest is \$579,000.00 which doesn't include the general electric which is about \$72,000.00. He would estimate that we are paying for lights right now somewhere between \$600,000.00 and \$800,000.00 for a little league type field. Do we need it? He said we sure as hell do not need the police building. We are housing policemen

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who are not there all day. He said he went through the police department with Chief Collins and they are crowded if all the officers are there at the same time on the same day. If they were he would be very surprised because they are supposed to be out policing the Town. The ones that are not on duty are supposed to be off duty and not in the building. Why are we spending \$11,000,000.00+ for a building for brick and mortar because you think we could get good prices on it right now or good interest rates to float a bond? The Town does not need this. Jobs are being lost all over the place. He said what you are doing is a complete disservice to the community and to the people. He thinks the Supervisor should reevaluate it. He thinks you should bring the council people in to examine this budget and let them know what it is all about.

Mr. Hoffman said he also believes that all of these budgets should now become user friendly. Instead of the taxpayers having to fight their way through a maze of paper work with no explanations these budgets should be simplified. They should be footnoted. Not for your benefit; for our benefit since we are footing the bill. You're not footing the bill; you're just raising the bill. All paper work coming out of this community should be user friendly. No way in hell should I have to come into Town Hall and file a freedom of information act to see the plans for the police building and then get told by the Clerk of the Works that he is going to check with the Town Attorney first and then wait for seven days to get an answer back to come in and see something that should be in the center of Town Hall for everybody to see and be proud of if we are building it. Why are we hiding it? Why are the plans hidden so you've got to file and wait to wait to see it.

Mr. Hoffman said we had a very interesting thing that came up. He said we have a gentleman here who gets about \$1,700.00 every two weeks. He said he assumes he is the project manager on the building, is he correct on that? Supervisor said there is a project manager. Mr. Hoffman asked under whose budget does his money show up - on the police budget or on the building budget? Mr. Duer said he is in Building Maintenance. Mr. Hoffman said he is trying to work this out but he has a problem with it. You've got a guy who moved up from the Rec Department, you double his salary - he's Clerk of the Works. To me the Clerk of the Works is supposed to be watching that building. Instead we give him another job - Buildings and Grounds - and then we give him another job on top of that in the same 35 or 40 hours he is supposed to be performing the first job and the second job. You give him a third job still in that same framework of 40 hours. Now, since he has three jobs in these 40 hours he has no time or expertise to go look at the building so now we hire another guy. We don't put him in the budget of the Police Department. We put him in the budget of Buildings and Grounds but he is hired strictly to watch that building. Mr. Hoffman said as he understands it the Supervisor testified that when that building is over he goes. So he was hired then just for that building but that money is not in the building of the police budget. That money is in the budget of Buildings and Grounds. This is another problem he has. Forgetting this gentleman or the Clerk of the Works for the moment - he is talking about principles here not individuals. When you have a project, that project should have one number assigned to it. All expenditures for that project should be able to be looked up by any individual be he a government official or a taxpayer under one number and find out what is the true cost of that building. Not have the movement of the building on one thing, the land on another thing, contracts on another thing, have the employees on another thing. This is ludicrous. This is not government for the people. This is government to fool the people.

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Supervisor asked Mr. Duer, Comptroller, when we make investments into banks, how is that done? Mr. Duer said as the funds become mature we have a competitive bid. We notify the various local banks and they notify us back and we have basically a competitive bid. We notify all the local banks, there are about 6 or 7, continuously as funds mature to be reinvested. The highest competitive bid wins for that particular day. Mr. Duer said for example today we had about \$1.6 million mature. Of the \$1.6 million, \$1.5 came out of Union Bank and \$1 million went to Bank of New York because they came in with the highest bid of 3.03%. Another \$500,000.00 from Union Bank went to Chemical Bank because they came in at 3.01% and \$100,000.00 that came out of Chase went also to Chemical for 3.01%. Supervisor said then basically the decision on where to invest money is based upon bids that are obtained and we put the money in the bank that gives us the highest interest rate. Mr. Duer said that is correct. Supervisor said the argument that Mr. Hoffman is trying to make that it is somehow related to the banks that he (the Supervisor) does business with, whatever they might be, is a little preposterous. In addition to which since we raised the issue of the mortgage he said the mortgage that he acquired on his home was not just acquired by himself. His wife's salary is also included in that and he could not have obtained that mortgage until his father-in-law personally guaranteed it with his assets. He said he was given nothing from the bank. It was a personal guarantee on the mortgage so that if he (the Supervisor) doesn't pay it, his father-in-law has to pay it. He said he bought the house from his parents. All the money that is in his mortgages is done to support his homes and no other business at all so he thinks it is a little far fetched when we are trying to drag some of this stuff into it. He said he thinks Mr. Duer is very clear on how money is invested in the Town. In fact, that is according to the state requirements in law. We can't put money into banks where we don't get the highest yield and it is not properly collateralized or guaranteed by the bank. Mr. Duer said that is correct.

Appearance: Mr. Paul Bambara
Valley Cottage, New York

Mr. Bambara said Mr. Hoffman gets up here and says he doesn't understand what 0% is and says he is expected to come up here and criticize. Mr. Bambara says he understands what 0% is and for two years he has not had an increase on the taxes on his house and from this point I don't know where he expects us to cut. He didn't give us any places to cut. Do we cut from the seniors? Do we cut from DARE. He said he did not know what Mr. Hoffman wants us to do at this point. He said his compliments to the Town Board and the Supervisor for a job well done.

Appearance: Mr. Russell Trojan
Nanuet, New York

Mr. Trojan said his January tax bill is now higher than his school taxes. This hasn't happened before. Obviously something is going wrong. Mr. Holbrook and Mr. Dusanenko and soon to be joined by Mrs. Smith, as County Legislators and as Town Board Members, are responsible for all the taxes. The only area that is independent of an elected separate board is the fire department. Everything else has to go through the Town and County. Apparently, we have a little surprise coming. The ambulance districts have been created and will be broken out of this budget as a separate line. Previously money has been given to the ambulance corps to the tune of probably about \$500,000.00. Now that money is going to be a separate

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line leaving you with \$500,000.00 to play with. He said he believes someone from the Park Department told him that the money had previously been given to the ambulance corps. Supervisor said no, it was on a separate line. Mr. Trojan said whatever monies had been given to the ambulance corps before has been used to hide the increase in our taxes. He said he expects that if you are really going to have a 0% tax increase another half million or more has to come out to offset what is going to go to the ambulance districts being created this year. Supervisor said the budget actually decreased 1.6% and that factor has been taken into account with the ambulance districts. That is why we said 0% and not -1.6%.

Mr. Trojan said the main thing is to try to control and reduce spending. When that cannot be done the next thing is to look for revenue sources. We are spending a lot of money in support of MTA out of our separate MTA taxes. Then we go and pay for maintenance of a parking lot in Nanuet to support MTA again. Why are the residents of Clarkstown paying twice for a parking lot that is for the use of all County residents and even out of state if they should so chose? This is an expense that we have to get some revenue from and demand MTA pay for all the costs that are associated with that lot that includes even mosquito control caused by the flooding that that lot causes dumping all the water behind the residences.

Mr. Trojan said he is glad to see that the roads are finally being paved in this Town. He does not know where all the money came from. For twenty years the roads have been neglected. The Town didn't have the money. BOOM! Now they have tons of money to pave the roads. This is quite a thing. We need a better, steady maintenance program instead of surprises. AGain, where did the money come from this year that wasn't there last year?

Mr. Trojan said the court facility that everyone is complaining about - we are going to have a lot of space there. We have part time judges that could share courtrooms. The police officers work shifts and need to be out in the field. This can allow a lot of space to be leased to the County of Rockland which is in need of new court facilities and new office facilities. We ought to start making some money from this county and stop having a second huge expenditure by the County government for a new courthouse and a new county office building. We are building space now. Let's lease it to them. They don't need to build another complex. We've got the space available now that we've built this new courthouse and police station.

Mr. Trojan said major projects such as the Nanuet Mall and Pyramid and the several other major condominium complexes and other proposals need oversight and should pay for the Building Inspector, if necessary, to be there full time. In the case of the Nanuet Mall they have violated their site plan and nobody was watching. These entities should be charged maybe three times the cost of a full time Building Inspector to help cover overhead costs that the Town has related to the Building Department.

In the police department as police officers retire maybe we should not hire expensive police officers to replace them but create positions of police services such as traffic control. When you have four police cars tied up on an accident having two of them direct traffic, I say to myself why are we using highly trained, highly paid police officers to direct traffic? We need some kind of service that can free these men up. In the case of a medical call after the ambulance and the

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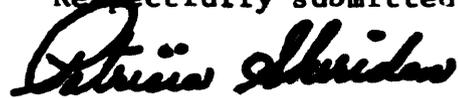
paramedics arrive on the scene do we need two police cars to stay too? One of those cars should be freed up in case there is another call. When people lock themselves out of their car do we need a police officer to unlock their car for them? They don't need a police officer doing the job. When the station requests someone to pick up coffee or food let's hope that call is not going to block someone needing help.

Appearance: Mr. Frank (unclear)
New City, New York

He said based on what he saw here tonight - Mr. Hoffman is frantically grasping at straws. He said he happens to agree with the majority of people who came up here that a 0% increase in budget is a phenomenal start. He agrees with Mr. Pantano, Mr. Cuff, Mr. Pradhan, and Mr. Bambara that the Board has done a phenomenal job.

There being no one further wishing to be heard on motion of Councilwoman Smith, seconded by Councilman Mandia and unanimously adopted, the public hearing was declared closed.

Respectfully submitted,



PATRICIA SHERIDAN,
Town Clerk