

Town of Ossining Board Work Session

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Meeting Transcript

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Attendance: Supervisor Dana Levenberg, Councilmember Liz Feldman, Councilmember Jackie G. Shaw, Councilmember Gregory Meyer, Councilmember Northern Wilcher, Municipal Attorney Christie Addona, Budget Officer Victoria Cafarelli, Planner Valerie Monastra, Andy Tiess, Paul Fraioli, Dale Brennan, Ossining Village Manager Karen D'Attore, Ossining Deputy Village Manager Maddi Zachacz

1 Dana Levenberg: Alright, so with that, Good evening and welcome to the
2 Town Board of the Town of Ossining work session for Tuesday January 19
3 2021. Please rise and join me for the pledge of allegiance, and then remain
4 standing for a moment of silence.

5 **ALL:** I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to
6 the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with
7 liberty and justice for all.

8 Dana Levenberg: We're marking a moment of silence tonight in conjunction
9 with the nationwide COVID-19 memorial President elect Biden and Vice
10 President elect Harris held this evening, just at sunset in Washington eve of
11 their inauguration. This week marks 400,000 Americans who have died of
12 COVID-19 since the pandemic began just around this time last year. This
13 pandemic has been tragic for so many of us my family included. And isn't
14 important to properly mourning the unimaginable level of loss we have
15 experienced as a country. We join with our fellow citizens across the nation
16 tonight, remembering those we have lost and look to what will hopefully be
17 better months ahead of – of recovery.

18 [MOMENT OF SILENCE]

19 Thank you. I'm gonna start with some announcements yesterday town
20 offices were closed in recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day, which

21 marked what would have been Dr. King's 92nd birthday. This day is always
22 humbling, as we all pause remember Dr. King's remarkable legacy and
23 honor his memory through service, one of the more eye-opening facts that I
24 was reminded of yesterday is both Dr. King and Anne Frank would be
25 celebrating their 92nd birthdays in 2021, if they had not been senselessly
26 murdered. This is a stark reminder that the civil rights era and the
27 Holocaust occurred not that long ago, and it is not hard to imagine that we
28 could be living in a world where both of these remarkable figures are with
29 us in person today we should use this as an opportunity to reflect on our
30 progress and understand that the inequities Dr. King sought to remedy are
31 not distant memories. In fact, many are still very present in the lives of too
32 many today. As are the horrors Ann Frank suffered in Amsterdam at the
33 hands of the Nazi regime. But we all must try, day in and day out, to do
34 what is in our power to make our community, our country, and our world, a
35 little better, for those who may not share our skin color, our first language,
36 our God for those who struggle to put food on the table, or roof over their
37 heads, or experienced any other barriers to survive and thrive. As Dr. King
38 reminded us 'if you can't fly then run, if you can't run them walk, if you can't
39 walk them crawl, but whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward,' I
40 hope all of us can take these words to heart, this year and strive to do
41 better in the year ahead.

42 Tomorrow is Inauguration Day when Joe Biden will be sworn in as the 46
43 President of the United States. This peaceful transition of power is a
44 historic democratic tradition and as Americans, we look forward to the
45 special occasion. The theme for the Biden Harris inauguration is America
46 United. The inauguration will air starting at 11:30am with the swearing in
47 ceremony at noon. I would like to take a moment to remind people that
48 none of us should gather together to view the event crowds of any nature,
49 create a risk, we do not need to take especially as this new, more
50 contagious strain of the virus makes its way here, please continue to
51 protect your friends, family, and colleagues by making smart decisions. We
52 also know law enforcement agencies across the country are on high alert in
53 response to potential threats of domestic terrorism on inauguration day.
54 With Westchester County and Ossining police are on high alert and will
55 remain vigilant to ensure the day remains peaceful. We have our Police
56 Chief here tonight Kevin Sylvester, so perhaps he can touch on this in his

57 report. We are not necessarily expecting anything to occur in our
58 community here in Ossining However, I know, law enforcement stands at
59 the ready. The days since January six have been unsettling, but I am
60 encouraged by the response from federal and local law enforcement to
61 quell these threats and I pray that tomorrow will go off smoothly.

62 With this in mind, we also received some disappointing news late last week
63 regarding vaccines. The number of vaccines that are distributed to each
64 state is a decision made by the Federal Government and the number of
65 doses coming to New York is expected to decrease in an upcoming
66 shipment. We do not know what this means for people with appointment
67 scheduled to get the vaccine. I know this is an upsetting development.
68 Many of our residents over 65 have been so scared and isolated for
69 months, healthcare workers have been on the front lines since February.
70 Unfortunately, we must all once again be patient. Governor Cuomo has
71 made an inquiry directly to Pfizer to request additional doses for New York
72 to buy directly. The incoming Biden administration will surely be asked to
73 intervene as well. However, we do not know what the outcome will be. So
74 again, we asked for patience, there is also some hope that Johnson and
75 Johnson will be the third manufacturer to have another vaccine on the
76 market. We're all hoping for this to be over very soon, please remember
77 that the nurses, doctors, and healthcare professionals are in an impossible
78 position and are trying their best.

79 Locally, we have a lot of testing options available to residents. Get tested, if
80 you are interacting with people outside of your household. The Ossining
81 Community Center was offering tests every Friday in January, but this has
82 been shifted to Sundays, the tests available through the Community Center
83 or being administered by Westchester Medical Center. Star of Bethlehem
84 Church is offering testing on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from
85 9am to 4pm. You can register on their website StarBethBC.org. Residents
86 can also use the New York state website feature called 'Find A Test Near
87 You' - or 'Find A Test Site Near You' to help residents schedule
88 appointments at Open Door, CVS, HealthSmart and many other local sites.

89 The second half of 2020/2021 school tax bills are due by January 31st 2021
90 but, since that is a Sunday payment can be made by February 1 without
91 penalty. We strongly encourage taxpayers to pay online through the Xpress

92 pay option on our website, you can also pay by mail or drop off your
93 envelope - with a stamp - at the dedicated tax office mail slot at the
94 Washington Post Office. If you'd like to pay in person you're welcome to
95 come to our building at 16 Croton Avenue in Ossining during in our public
96 office hours 9am to 2:30pm Monday through Friday. The Tax Receivers
97 office is ready to assist you if you have any questions about your bill. Tax
98 Receiver Holly Perlowitz and her staff are very helpful if you have any
99 questions you can call the tax office at 914-762-8790 or send an email to
100 taxreceiver@townofossining.com.

101 Also, have one other special item to mention. We had gotten a request - a
102 request from Nilakshi Mhatre who's a resident in Ossining, to uh – uh - offer
103 a proclamation and honor and recognition of the health for humanity
104 yogathon, which is taking place this week. HFH is organizing its annual
105 health for humanity yogathon with the goal of having 100 individual
106 participants cumulatively complete 11,000 repetitions of surya namaskara
107 to promote the spiritual mental and physical well being of all members of
108 the community. And, yes, Maddi I know, you know that that means sun
109 salutation. She has - this resident of Ossining has helped organize sun
110 salutations every year in the Ossining in schools and we are grateful for
111 that acknowledgement and we hope that those who would like to will
112 participate. So just wanted to make that mention. Is there anybody on the
113 board, who has anything else to add for announcements? Okay, so hearing
114 none, I want to move into our work session agenda for this evening. We are
115 going to start with a department -

116 Northern Wilcher: [UNCLEAR]

117 Dana Levenberg: I'm sorry? Oh awesome, Wilcher hi, how are you? We -
118 we have up first our Police Chief Kevin Sylvester. It's all yours, the stage is
119 yours.

120 Kevin Sylvester: Good evening. So typically when I come in January we try
121 to do sort of an end of the year report. I'm going to hold off on that for now
122 and I'll give my reason for that in just a moment. First I'll just touch back on
123 what you mentioned about tomorrow being Inauguration Day. We've had
124 meetings over the last week or so with all of our partner agencies around
125 the county. There is no report that anybody's received indicating that
126 there's a threat of violence or other reason to be worried. That said, our

127 officers have been instructed to do additional patrols not only around
128 municipal - municipal facilities, but we'll be in the schools extra heavy
129 tomorrow. Over the course of the past few weeks we've had some
130 challenging issues in the area of Park School. Parents are - with good
131 reason - concerned for the students. So we'll be seeing extra heavy around
132 the schools tomorrow, which is always a good opportunity for us just to get
133 some face time with our students, a little bit of fun for us and making sure
134 people are safe.

135 In terms of an annual report right now I'm working on a fairly massive
136 research project that we plan to drop in the next couple of weeks, which will
137 publish all of our arrest data for 2020. And it'll be a standard issue going
138 forward, which will show demographics for every single person arrested
139 and offer a comparison between -

140 Northern Wilcher: [UNCLEAR]

141 Kevin Sylvester: and will offer a comparison between age, race, gender,
142 ethnicity, a whole bunch of different stuff to give people a really clear
143 picture of them crime in Ossining, the activity, they asking police
144 department how these things are initiated and how they conclude. So
145 everything from the reason for dispatch, to how the weather defenders
146 were should appearance tickets are held custodially. Whether the reports
147 were received as the result of a community complaint or if it's officer
148 initiated activity everything up to and including whether they made it to a
149 first appearance on that date, or if they were brought back at a later date.
150 The issue of bail is something that some typically held for the Court so. If
151 they may choose to publish, uh coming through New York State later on,
152 but that's the only phase of the arrest, that will be left out of that report. So I
153 look forward to sharing that report, with the Town Board and just a few
154 weeks we'll send that out to everybody once it's completed before
155 publication.

156 And our other big thing for this quarter is the - the big drop of our new
157 Facebook page. So we've got yet another social media account that we
158 started now this one called Policia de Ossining. Which is a fully Spanish
159 language Facebook page managed by detective Jeff Chavez so he'll be
160 running that page but I'm with a lot of cooperation from all of our Spanish
161 speaking officers, we have seven or eight fully fluent Spanish speakers in

162 our department and each of them will be contributing in their own way, but
163 that page will not be a direct mirror of the main page that - that a different
164 team runs this one is going to be directly targeting issues that – that
165 Detective Chavez deems important to the Hispanic Community he's
166 working with a couple of different Hispanic parent groups in Ossining to try
167 and tailor that message to - to folks that sometimes our most reluctant to
168 engage with our police department. So seeking to increase public safety
169 through awareness and through education, we'll be – we'll be doing a lot of
170 work on that page this year. Still maintaining our Facebook page and two
171 Twitter feeds and Instagram and Next Door. Snapchat flopped, nobody
172 liked it, so that's out. And you can still subscribe to NIXLE by texting 10562
173 to 88877 for emergency alerts, for things like road closures, and other in
174 the moment type news. So that's what the Police Department's got going
175 on for now and I'll take questions for whatever you've got.

176 Dana Levenberg: I'm muted. Do any of my colleagues have any questions
177 for the Chief? Any comments?

178 Northern Wilcher: Dana?

179 Dana Levenberg: Yes, go ahead.

180 Northern Wilcher: It's – it's Northern Wilcher I just want to apologize for
181 being late, but I'm here.

182 Dana Levenberg: Okay, thank you Councilman your - all's good. We're
183 hearing a little noise in the background, but it's all good. Do you have any
184 questions for the Chief or...

185 Northern Wilcher: No, no. I was just listening.

186 Dana Levenberg: No problem we gotcha.

187 Liz Feldman: Kevin for all that you and your offices do I'm very excited
188 about the new Facebook page I'm excited to see how that works out.

189 Kevin Sylvester: It's taken off quickly. We're hoping to engage with a whole
190 different group that maybe didn't have the opportunity to follow along with
191 the other stuff. The biggest thing we heard was that um, you know, the stuff
192 people like most is sometimes kind of the silliest things and - it's giving
193 weather reports and letting people know how the roads are and the truth is
194 social media most of those platforms will translate things for you when it's

195 in writing, but this type stuff doesn't - doesn't get out and even if people can
196 sort of piece the words together they really don't get the nuance of the
197 spoken word, so this will give an opportunity for a message that's - that's
198 directly related to people - that people can really pick up. So that's what
199 we're hoping to really get out of this and you know sort of give people that
200 uh that personalized messaging.

201 Liz Feldman: Great. Thank you.

202 Dana Levenberg: Anybody else? I just wanted to add my congratulations, I
203 think it looks the page looks great and I have seen a lot of the feedback
204 and it it's really - it's it seems really positive so, thanks again for -for doing
205 that and also, I know, obviously the Village is in the process of the police
206 reform and reinvention and I know that your department is also been
207 involved in that. I don't know if you wanted to say anything about that. I
208 know it's not your - your - your report, but you are, you do have some
209 involvement so.

210 Kevin Sylvester: Yeah, yeah I mean there there's a committee that's put
211 together and there's a number of subcommittees and I'm not on all of those
212 so I you know they they're putting together with their recommendations will
213 be and I don't want to spoil the surprise so... You know it - what it appears
214 as if there's going to be a number of recommendations made and then
215 those will be up for public discussion so. I know that the Village, has it on
216 their website, or some nice will be pending update but coming soon, and
217 there should be a number of public hearings coming up where people have
218 an opportunity to review those recommendations and then have some
219 discussion or other recommendations that may come from people that
220 weren't on the committee. So lots of opportunity for feedback, I will share
221 with this group, what I say to that group all the time, is that the real work
222 doesn't begin until this process is over. The process of making
223 recommendations is really one whereby people kicking ideas, the real work
224 goes on indefinitely. Over where we implement things evaluate their
225 usefulness, as their rolled out and then adjust course is necessary so you
226 know a lot of places are looking at police reform as a as a finite period
227 where there's an exercise to be launched through as you think you're made
228 me stop my vision of law enforcement is much more fluid in the Kevin
229 Sylvester: sense that, even if we come up with really great ideas here it's

230 not the end it's the beginning it's just another opportunity for us to – to try
231 and find ways to do more, better ways to do things we do poorly and even
232 better ways to do things that we do want.

233 Northern Wilcher: [UNCLEAR]

234 Kevin Sylvester: I think Northern just cut me off.

235 Dana Levenberg: No

236 Northern Wilcher: Sorry.

237 Dana Levenberg: I think.

238 Northern Wilcher: I'm sorry.

239 Dana Levenberg: It was a little bit more coffee and just one minute so.

240 Northern Wilcher: Yeah. Sorry, but.

241 Kevin Sylvester: No, it's alright. I'm only teasing.

242 Dana Levenberg: And Councilman Shaw, did you have anything that you
243 wanted to add as our liaison from the board to the task force.

244 Jackie Shaw: To - to what the Chief was saying, there are subcommittees
245 or subgroups working on different things, working through different ideas
246 working on what might work what could work. You know, we have like a
247 best case scenario, what could happen, and what time frame and - and
248 that's what we're working through now and again, as the Chief said it's an
249 ongoing process, so I don't want to spoil anything either so I'll say that's all
250 I'll say for now.

251 Dana Levenberg: All right, well we're very appreciative of the work that is
252 going on in Village and certainly appreciative of your time, so thank you for
253 that. And I guess that's it for you Chief so you're off the hook because we're
254 moving into a fun discussion coming up next, and that is about the Village
255 of Ossining water properties and the proposed water intermunicipal
256 agreement terms between the Town and the Village of Ossining and for this
257 we have our friends from the Village, you make me look familiar to you.
258 Very familiar faces to the Town: Village Manager Karen D'Attore and
259 assistant Village Manager Maddi Zachacz they're here tonight to discuss
260 two propose changes to town and Villages relationship when it comes to

261 water. The proposed exemption of Village owned water properties from the
262 tax rolls and revise terms to the water IMA to the unincorporated town
263 towards an equalization of rates, with the Village, a project that has been in
264 the works for some years now. I won't steal their thunder but for some
265 background the Village is planning one of their biggest capital projects,
266 perhaps the biggest in their 200 plus year history, the building of a new
267 water treatment plant. Something else you probably didn't know is that the
268 Village pays taxes to the other taxing jurisdictions on property that they own
269 including properties relating to the water distribution system. That does not
270 seem to make a whole heck of a lot of sense for us for years now, in fact,
271 the county exempted these properties, a few years back. Now, before the
272 construction begins and inflates the value of these properties on the roll for
273 short amount of time, because then they will depreciate it makes sense for
274 the other taxing jurisdictions to consider doing the same. On another note
275 we have been collectively trying to understand why town residents pay 1.5
276 times the watery of Village residents, since the start of the town and
277 Villages IMA for the Village, to provide water to the town residents. We've
278 taken the opportunity to look at this aspect or relationship carefully as well,
279 to see if there is a path forward to move closer to equalization. Both town
280 and Village professional staff have spent a lot of time evaluating the pros
281 and cons of these issues and considering how we can move forward
282 thoughtfully. We're here tonight to discuss with the board what the Village
283 is proposing, so we can have a point from which to move forward to next
284 steps. Ms. D'Attore and Ms. Zachacz have already presented to the school
285 district and library boards and they are interested to hear where the Town
286 Board stands on the issue of taking the share utilities off the tax rolls. So all
287 the remaining taxing jurisdictions can move forward together to maximize
288 the benefit to both water retailers and taxpayers and with that lengthy
289 introduction I turn it over to you, Village Manager.

290 Karen D'Attore: Thank you Supervisor Levenberg, thank you. Good
291 evening everybody um as - as the Supervisor said, this is a topic that we've
292 been discussing for some time, and we are embarking on a incredibly
293 ambitious and – and important capital improvement to our water treatment
294 plant. As you know, we have more recently dealt with water issues of taste
295 and odor had to do from issues in the Croton Reservoir, we are - we are
296 addressing them longer term, though, we want to really make sure that we

297 have the capacity, as well as that - not the capacity, just for the water itself,
298 but the capacity to treat water and do it effectively for everyone in the water
299 district. It is our most precious and a central resource and therefore this is
300 something that is receiving a tremendous amount of attention and planning
301 and tonight we have our Director of Public Works Paul Fraioli and our
302 Superintendent of Water Andy Teiss to answer any technical questions you
303 may have on the water plant itself. Getting back to the matter at hand, we
304 have been talking for some time now about um what it would look like to
305 exempt the water properties as a unique situation where the Village owns
306 the water properties, but the water properties there's a water properties
307 they exist in the town and they're taxed. So for each of the taxing entities,
308 including the town – Maddi maybe you want to put the presentation up can
309 we share the screen?

310 Maddi Zachacz: Alright I'm in the office, I had a quick visitor. Give me just
311 one second.

312 Karen D'Attore: Yeah you can go, um.. So we put together this presentation
313 we will take you through town was forgot about. So for each of the three
314 taxing entities - the town, the school district in the library - the impact - we
315 looked at the impact of exemption on the tax rate and we found it would be
316 small, and it would allow the Village to hold water rates down with
317 reasonable increases and as the supervisor said was just kind of these are
318 exempted these properties it's not traditional that utility properties - public
319 utilities - are taxed so but we really didn't want a firmer grasp of what
320 exemption would mean. So what we found was that that there is a real
321 benefit and all boats rise if you will, and will take you through that in more
322 detail, specific networks [UNCLEAR]. So the taxing entities that were
323 analyzed include the general fund - the Town General Fund, the Village of
324 Ossining, the Village of Briarcliff, and Unincorporated Town. Which is the
325 entire town, the town unincorporated, which is the unincorporated town,
326 only, the Ossining school district (now Ossining [School District] does
327 include the Village of Ossining, Village of Briarcliff Manor, the
328 Unincorporated Town, New Castle, and Yorktown). The New Castle and
329 Yorktown are not in the water district, so we talked about the impact on
330 them as well, and we also looked at - we also took into account the library
331 and that's Village - Village of Briarcliff Manor, Unincorporated Town, New
332 Castle and Yorktown as well. For the purposes of this discussion and

333 creating a level playing field, all the information is based on the same
334 House, which is a \$375,000 house. So with that I'd like to turn it over to
335 Maddi. We did - we are going to start with a baseline of where we are right
336 now and Maddi's going to take you and Dale – Dale Brennan our Treasurer
337 here as well, to take you through the analysis that that really determines
338 what the impact of taxation is versus exemption and what that does to the
339 water rates and the taxes simultaneously.

340 Maddi Zachacz: Okay, good evening Supervisor, Town Board nice to see
341 everybody. So as Karen mentioned, and I believe, as the Supervisor
342 mentioned as well, this is a project we've been working on for some time,
343 so when we first started this. We were looking at the 2019/2020 school
344 year so that - that's - that's a little while ago, so we have updated it a bit
345 since then, but not much this is the year that we've kept as our baseline. So
346 this is using calendar year data for the Town of Ossining, and then the
347 school year data for the schools and the library. So again we're starting
348 with 2019/2020 school year. The first thing that might pop out at you, is
349 looking at the blue line where you see the home value across the board, as
350 the Town Board is more than familiar, Ossining is one of the only
351 communities in Westchester to be assessing at full market value, which is
352 why, for all of the communities within the Town of Ossining - these three -
353 you're seeing a \$375,000 number, if you look over to the right for New
354 Castle and Yorktown you'll see that the property - it's still in the same
355 house, \$375,000 on the market - but the way that you have to assess it for
356 tax purposes, due to their equalization rate because they're not at full value
357 means that these numbers are going to look a bit different. So, as we go
358 forward we're using the school warrant from that school year 2019 to 2020.
359 And you'll see likewise that school warrant is apportioned over the three
360 communities so Ossining portion is the same for these three. New Castle
361 portion is lower. Yorktown portion is lower still. There are about a couple
362 hundred properties in Yorktown and in New Castle that are part of the
363 Ossining school district, so their portion of the warrant is similar to their
364 portion of the roll value so it's - it's much smaller. So you can see that in the
365 line following obviously Ossining has the lion's share of the value in the
366 school district, because all of our properties in Ossining are in the school
367 district and that's how we calculate our school tax rate. So the way that that
368 is established is, we take the warrant amount for that particular community

369 and we divide it by the roll value in that Community and that's how we land
370 on the tax rate so again it's uniform throughout three Ossining areas and
371 then it's a little bit different in New Castle and Yorktown but, as you can see
372 everyone's still paying the same amount in school taxes for that same
373 house. Then we look at the Village of Ossining and the Unincorporated
374 Town, who are members of this water system, the Village of Ossining. We
375 got this number from the treasurer's office, the average quarterly water bill
376 for a Village Ossining home is \$474 and 20 cents. You'll notice that any
377 unincorporated town it's a little bit higher and that's because unincorporated
378 folks who get water from the Village of Ossining pay 150% of what Village
379 residents pay so you can see that extrapolated out here in the yellow, that's
380 the water bill for an entire year. So again, this is our baseline scenario, the
381 other ones won't take nearly as long to explain, but just to kind of give you
382 an idea of where we start so you can see where we're headed it's worth
383 reiterating that right now we're looking at the school tax bill information.
384 Which is as again as the Town Board is aware of the lion's share of a
385 residence tax bill we usually use the number between 60 and 65% of what
386 the average homeowner pays in taxes goes to the school district, the town
387 general and unincorporated share are relatively minor in comparison as
388 would be the impact if the town gave exemption in the absence of the
389 school doing the same, so this is really you know, to make a feasible
390 financial argument really dependent on the school offering this exemption,
391 but, of course, you know where we're asking that the town do so as well.
392 So, as you can see here when we got into the spring of 2020 we were able
393 to update the baseline condition to a degree, we got more current values
394 from the town assessor's office, and so we were able to update the roll
395 value just a bit here, so this is based on real numbers. What you'll notice, if
396 I were to go backwards, is that the value in New Castle and Yorktown has
397 changed very little another benefit of having 100% full market value is that
398 in Ossining assessments are able to sort of shift based on the market, so
399 when times were good that value is going to go up not so good it's going to
400 go down. In communities where they don't have 100% assessment that's
401 not the case. The only time you're going to gain value on the roll is if a
402 brand new house is built, the only way you're going to lose value is if
403 something happens to that house if it's destroyed by fire if it's knocked
404 down something to that effect. That being said, these numbers are going to
405 be frozen for the remainder of our presentation to give us an updated

406 baseline. The only number that you're going to see change is this number
407 in these three boxes which is going to be a result of how we're sort of
408 tweaking how we tax the water properties in order to fully develop each
409 scenario going forward. But same as on the prior slide you see your annual
410 school tax bill is the same, no matter what community you live in, but now
411 because we've ticked up one year water rates have increased just slightly
412 So you see this number has gone up as well. So now, and as I said, we
413 were doing this presentation, initially in the spring, for the school district
414 and for the library. So we said okay if we flip the switch tomorrow and you
415 guys exempted the - the water properties, what would the tax bill look like
416 right - right away. So you see these numbers here we've taken \$6 million
417 off that's currently the amount on the tax rolls for all eight water properties
418 that are within the unincorporated town, so we basically just flipped the
419 switch and said 'Okay School, if you exempted these right away here would
420 be the impact.' For the school district it caused a \$14 tax bill increase for
421 each residential property so again having exempted it earlier this year.
422 Everybody in the school district would have paid \$14 more that's - that's not
423 per thousand assess that's a straight \$14 for having given that exemption.
424 All the other conditions, you know we just carried forward from the baseline
425 scenario, except sort of adjusted them for time so again, as the Board is
426 aware. All municipal entities are subject to a 2% tax CAP so not knowing
427 what the schools weren't - was at the time we just increased what their prior
428 year had been by 2% and so that's how we got to this place so now going
429 forward we're going to use this now updated idea to look at the time it was
430 five years in the future, but now, since we're a little behind it's four years in
431 the future. So we've carried that forward, a 2% increase to the levy which is
432 the amount of money raised in taxes towards the overall budget. So we've
433 raised that 2% a year again align with the tax CAP no change in assessed
434 value for any Community so we basically froze the Town of Ossining and
435 tax assessor's numbers, where they were and then froze New Castle and
436 Yorktown as well we're assuming in this scenario, no exemption have any
437 water properties, as they currently exist and we didn't build a new water
438 plan. So this is just basically a carry forward of exactly the condition we
439 have today and you'll see. Taxes one up just a little bit, as did the quarterly
440 water bill we basis on a 5% increase each year, so a cumulative about 20
441 and a half percent over the - the baseline condition. So now going to
442 Scenario Two or 'B' it's the same four years in a future, but now we built the

443 new water plant and no one decided to exempt it, so the Village is paying
444 full property tax to the Town of Ossining, to the school district, and to the
445 library for a new water treatment plant. The number that we plugged in with
446 \$70 million for a new plant. It is yet unclear as to what that number is
447 actually going to be, but this is a very high level estimate of what we're
448 thinking so as to better demonstrate the - the effect of keeping the property
449 tax. So as you can see, we added \$70 million on to the roll for the Ossining
450 portion. New Castle and Yorktown are unaffected, because the properties
451 are in Ossining. And the result is slightly lower taxes for everybody in the
452 school districts and again this is because we've added \$70 million on to the
453 - the roll which has been distributed. Part of the pie, basically, is shifted to a
454 new entity which makes everybody else's slice smaller to \$175 worth in a
455 year. The problem is now the Village is paying increased taxes, because
456 we used to be paying on \$6 million now we're paying on \$70 million. As a
457 result, water rates must go up, because that is how we're going to be able
458 to fund operations of the plant. So you see these numbers have gone up
459 markedly. 41.6% increase over five years, which is quite a bit. The water
460 bill will go up about \$400 per household annually, which is pretty sizable so
461 you would basically be getting \$175 in one pocket and then out of the other
462 pocket dropping \$400. This is a particular concern to folks who live in the
463 unincorporated area because, as I mentioned earlier they're already paying
464 150% of what Village residents are paying so those increases stack up a
465 little bit faster to their detriment. The last point I want to make about this is
466 the \$70 million plant, is immediately going to be able to depreciate an
467 example that we use a lot. would be if somebody like IBM decided they
468 were going to come to town and build a \$70 million facility that would be
469 amazing, everyone be super excited \$70 million would stay on the roll for a
470 pretty considerable period of time and the property may even appreciate
471 making that 70 million, 80 million, or 90 million over a span of years.
472 Unfortunately, because this is a public utility and the way that the - the
473 building has to be taxed that \$70 million is a - is a quick sugar high right
474 everyone's going to get that \$175 decrease. But that \$70 million is going to
475 drop pretty steadily, so you might get 75 in the first year - or I'm sorry 175.
476 than 140 than 100 - and eventually everybody else's tax is going to have to
477 go up to account for the depreciation of the plant so it's really a nobody's
478 interest. You know, for that reason, and then also, as I mentioned the - the

479 water bill in Ossining and the unincorporated town, are going to go up
480 dramatically.

481 Karen D'Attore: One more point to that if IBM did come, and that would be
482 great and they would be investing the \$70 million. In this case, it's the water
483 rate payers that are investing that money so not only are they investing that
484 money they're then taxing their own investment. So it really is not
485 analogous in any way, shape, or form to any entity coming in and - and
486 delivering a ratable that has no impact on the school district. You also won't
487 get the benefit of employees and other people who would shop and you
488 know do things in the municipality, so we really want to delineate what this
489 means, as as something that's being put on the tax rolls not exactly what it
490 appears to be.

491 Maddi Zachacz: And then just going to Scenario C which is sort of the - the
492 ideal the - the best of both worlds, the community is getting a new water
493 treatment plant. It's going to be tax exempt because we're assuming in the
494 scenario that the School, Library, and Town all exempted it from taxes.
495 Which means taxes are gonna go you know go up as - as taxes do a little
496 bit a year, and all the taxing jurisdictions and the water rate will only go up
497 a little bit now 'why would it go up at all' right 'If if we don't have any taxes
498 on the water plant?' Well, the reason is, we still have to borrow some
499 money in order to fund that. So we're basically accounting for the debt
500 service to repay that debt. And the water bill will go up about \$32 annually
501 as opposed to what we were talking about earlier about \$400. The
502 exchange for that is about a \$15 increase per household. So you pay \$15
503 more at a one pocket but you're only paying \$32 more out of the other
504 pocket as to what we saw before which is you're getting a little bit back to
505 spend a whole lot. So this is pretty much the best of both worlds and again,
506 you know this sort of assures our community and increased water quality
507 and better control over our utilities. The thing that might come to mind, for
508 some of the folks that are on the Town Board is that well, what about the
509 folks in in Briarcliff, New Castle, and Yorktown. they're getting a \$15
510 increase but they're not seeing any of the benefits, you know they don't get
511 water from us they're not seeing any benefit of - of a you know more
512 controlled rate they're just paying \$15 more per household. The answer to
513 that is 'yes that's true' there's not really a whole heck of a lot that we can
514 say and you know, to discount that the point that I would make is that these

515 folks are still in the Ossining school district. And if water rates go up that
516 means they also go up for the school, so the school is going to be spending
517 more money on water. Which eventually is going to make its way into what
518 they need to collect from folks in Briarcliff, New Castle, and Yorktown via
519 their taxes. Will it be as much as \$15 a year, maybe not, will it be a little bit
520 more could be depends on how much water they're using, but we think \$15
521 for you know, a relatively smaller segment of the school districts population
522 is not a whole heck of a lot to ask to provide you know the - the lion's share
523 of the district with affordable water, which is you know, a human right -
524 right. So. I'm going to turn it back over to Karen to sort of go over the
525 summary high points.

526 Karen D'Attore: Don't say - I know I'm muted. Thank you Maddi. So as you
527 can see, failure to exempt the water properties causes all tax bills to
528 decrease somewhat, but it increases water bill, much more so not really a
529 gain for water ratepayers there the Village bossing residents, along with
530 unincorporated Ossining - unincorporated town of Ossining residents will –
531 will see dramatically higher water rates. If the water plant is not exempt and
532 then the household is - households with the at the lowest end of the value
533 spectrum are going to have the greatest impact to because remember you
534 know your water rate is your water he watery what are each regressive so -
535 so there is an impact there as well. under any scenario all taxing entities,
536 this is important to know get the same amount of tax dollars and the
537 budgets set by the various boards, the town and school library or
538 unchanged by any of these scenarios. The differences are the Village
539 would no longer be paying and that chair would be redistributed amongst
540 the taxpayers in that taxing district, there would be a modest cost the
541 taxpayers in their tax bills, which will um... But again offset by the water
542 bills and the residents of Briarcliff, New Castle, and Yorktown who fall into
543 the school district will have a slight tax increase. But won't be impacted in a
544 really adverse way from that. So the school and library costs may go up if
545 their water charges increase you know as well, so that's another thing to
546 consider there's a savings there and residents may um end up - end up
547 paying more in their school and library taxes to compensate should
548 exemption not be approved so again, this really does create the best of all
549 possible worlds, and there are no losers here, so when we're talking about
550 equity and creating safer, more affordable water, a water source for the

551 vast majority of people in the districts were asking that the town, the school
552 and library boards pass resolutions to exempt the water properties. That
553 are owned by the Village Ossining and the Town of Ossining. So, I think we
554 covered that are there any questions before I go into the next part I just
555 want to ask if there's any questions specific to the exemption. Okay?

556 Dana Levenberg: No, no I'm not sure how you would know that. If any of
557 the Town board wants to just...

558 Karen D'Attore: Yeah if you want to just -

559 Dana Levenberg: I don't know that...

560 Karen D'Attore: Do you want to -

561 Dana Levenberg: [UNCLEAR]

562 Karen D'Attore: - we could take the screen down for a moment -

563 Dana Levenberg: Great.

564 Karen D'Attore: and then -

565 Dana Levenberg: For a second.

566 Karen D'Attore: - go forward to -

567 Dana Levenberg: [UNCLEAR] need to speak.

568 Karen D'Attore:- talk about the policy, the [UNCLEAR] portion.

569 Dana Levenberg: Let's do that. Just to see if there's some questions from
570 the Town Board. Councilwoman Shaw, do you have question? I don't know
571 if you're unmuting. Okay.

572 Liz Feldman: I'm good.

573 Dana Levenberg: Good? Anybody have any questions? Okay, I mean I
574 appreciate the very clear explanation, at least I - I thought it was pretty
575 clear and hopefully, others did as well yeah.

576 Liz Feldman: Having the supporting documentation helps as well.

577 Karen D'Attore: Okay, so we'll go forward, if - if Maddi - if you want to put
578 the presentation back on the screen or before I'm not sure who's doing it,
579 but um... Alright, so if we go to the next slide. We want - we also have

580 talked about this in the past, and more recently in the context of the
581 interder - intermunicipal agreement that the Town and Village have for the
582 provision of water, that agreement was drafted in 1968 which means it's
583 older than some not all of us, but some of us and... So one of the things
584 that we know that the complete and total exemption of all eight water
585 properties outside of the Village would help to keep water rates lowers for
586 all ratepayers. So this is the one thing. The current agreement is set, where
587 we are the town pays 50% more for its water than Village ratepayers. We
588 know if we maintain the – main – tax the properties rather that costs will go
589 up fairly high rates for both Town and Village, if we want to work at - at
590 working on a more equitable distribution of the watery the exemption really
591 is key to that it would be very good solution if we don't exempt the
592 properties so. Next slide please. So what we - we look at a couple of
593 different options we evaluated this very carefully and I really want to give a
594 lot of recognition to the work that our Treasurer did and - Dale Brennan - as
595 well as our former treasurer Tom Warren in looking at what you know we
596 were unpacking almost 60 years of way of doing things and trying to figure
597 out a better way to do it going forward and it's the first time that anybody's
598 really done this. So, looking for ways that we could be fair, about the
599 provision of water, we looked at various scenarios with the goals of
600 reestablishing rates paid by the unincorporated town residents fairly. And
601 then also shielding Village ratepayers from the abrupt and severe financial
602 impact, so one of the reasons we want to exempt the - the plant is to make
603 sure that we can maintain affordable water rates, particularly for water
604 ratepayers who were at the lower end of the value spectrum, but we also
605 you know, want to be fair, with the town residents as well, so balancing that
606 was really key to this discussion and we also wanted to make sure that the
607 costs born to the Village based on its ownership and operation of the
608 facilities and the liability of carrying water fund depth are covered as well,
609 so looking at all those options. We went through a fairly complex analysis
610 and we had given we've given you the information on a variety of scenarios
611 which we won't go into too much detail here because it's cumbersome, but
612 we looked at um - everything we looked at had some combination of a
613 reduction of the 150% rate paid by town of - town of - unincorporated town
614 residents, the use of water fund balanced lessen the impact of decreased
615 revenue from the Town rate payers to the Village rate payers and trying to
616 keep an annual rate increase between five and 10%. Obviously, the lower

617 we can keep that the better and across all scenarios full tax exemption of
618 Indian Brook – Indian Brook water treatment plant and water tanks and
619 properties in service to water - in service, to water filtration and distribution
620 is necessary, none of this works without the exemption. So we looked at
621 various options. We got down to eight options and option seven was the
622 one that we felt did the best job of achieving all those goals so in
623 option seven we're able to gradually reduce the water a differential from
624 150% to 110% over eight years, maintaining a no more than a 5% rate
625 increase for each year. This scenario decreases the town - the
626 unincorporated town rate slowly over eight years. It holds a firm 5% or less
627 hopefully less, we will strive to make it less increase steady for all water
628 rate customers. This lower attempt spreading it out over eight years does
629 generate a budget surplus of \$517,000 over the projected period. And that
630 results in a nearly balanced budget by 2025 as opposed to the other
631 scenarios we looked at which did not generate a balanced budget and
632 would have depleted our water fund balance over the course of – of several
633 years so moving to 100% 10% allows the Village to accommodate the
634 continued sole administration of our water and also absorbed liability of
635 debt issued by the water fund. Additionally accounts for the higher
636 investment per linear foot required to service unincorporated town, the
637 unincorporated town resonance versus the Village parcels because
638 remember for every linear foot of water infrastructure, you have many more
639 ratepayers typically in a Village parcel than you would work in a Village
640 area, then you would in the town and there is, there is a cost to that there is
641 an economy of scale here so... Those are the things we looked at maps
642 how we arrived to this and we had given you we've given the Board a lot of
643 detail information but we're happy to answer questions on this as well. If
644 you want to just um... so really a summary of next steps is full tax
645 exemption, we really would hope that the town, the school district in the
646 library would all agree to tax exemption for the benefit of virtually everybody
647 involved in this. We see that the full exemption has - has minor impact on
648 non-water rate payers so we do acknowledge, there are some people not
649 be getting water, but the impact on them is - is really not incredibly
650 significant. This provides equitable and fair revision of the - the ability to
651 have an equitable and fair revision of our long standing MO – um IMA. With
652 the town, and we are committed to making that a reality and the Village
653 requests at the Town of Ossining agrees to exempt the water properties

654 and it supports our request to the other taxing entities: the school district,
655 and the library board. And we will, you know, we will work with the town to -
656 an agreement on a memorandum um - on a memorandum of
657 understanding that recognizes that if the other taxing entities go along with
658 the exemption, that we can go forward and revise the intermunicipal - inter
659 municipal agreement based on - on what we've discussed this evening.

660 Dana Levenberg: Okay. Thank you very much again another clear and
661 thorough explanation of a very, very complicated subject, and I think that
662 you again explained it pretty clearly. It seems like based on your
663 presentation that if we want to maintain water rates at a reasonable level
664 and not see a huge spike. The best bet to that to achieve that would be to
665 exempt the water properties and because currently the unincorporated
666 town pays one and a half times the Village, it would have a greater impact
667 on - on town water rates if those properties weren't to be exempted, it has,
668 whereas if you spread the reduction of the cost of utility across all property
669 tax payers it's a nominal amount a nominal differential and then you're able
670 to maintain the water -the water rate so that's for the exemption and then
671 looking at that option seven for the again just to summarize it seems that
672 the additional liability and debt that you carry for owning the water
673 properties is the reason why we're looking at a transition to - trying to
674 equalize but never really getting to one to one because you're still you still
675 have additional costs that you incur over what the town would - would and
676 that's that way you're going into that 110[%], and the reason that it's to be
677 spread out over time. is so that again you don't see a huge jump in rates for
678 Village tax payers to try to make up the difference, I mean something that
679 we did Similarly, a few years ago with the blessing of the state – I don't
680 think we need that in this case, but to when we only went to full value roll,
681 and there were certain properties that were seeing a big jump in their value
682 that had was a difference, so we - we spread that out the payments out
683 over. Three years to give taxpayers the chance to sort of catch up with the
684 new value that had come on, so this is a similar approach over a longer
685 period of time because of the great greater impact that otherwise it would
686 have on the Village. So with that, and thank you again I don't know if I
687 summed it up, but that's just my sort of interpretation I'll just open it up to
688 the Town Board for questions concerns opinions anything that you'd like to
689 offer.

690 Liz Feldman: So the um...- the Memorandum of Understanding assumes
691 that we're going with scenario number seven, at the same time as the
692 Schools.

693 Karen D'Attore: Remember so here's the issue: unless we achieve the full
694 tax exemption, and it really is a school district - because that is the lion's
695 share of the - the tax. Unless we - we do that we cannot commit to we
696 redesign redesigning the IMA as equitably, as we would otherwise like to
697 do, it will just be very, very challenging because we'll have the added
698 burden of those tax dollars to pay. The memorandum of understanding -
699 which is based on really the intent that we have that if all the taxing entity is
700 agreed to accept the property - we will then work with the Town to - to re-
701 redesign and revise the IMA, since we can't do that now, because we need
702 to make sure that, so this is really pledging our intend to do so, and one of
703 the ways that we could do, that is, is taking the intention and the design
704 that we did on option seven and using that as - as basically the - the
705 template for a solution that would work going forward, whether it would
706 change from that during the IMA process, you know, things are always
707 subject to change, however, we want to make sure that we are committing
708 to an intent to do something in good faith, and this is really given the - the
709 sort of nature of how we have to get this done and the putting the pieces in
710 place, the way we would the way we're recommending to do it.

711 Liz Feldman: And how binding is that?

712 Karen D'Attore: Nothing's binding, but what is - what is binding, is that the
713 MOU you is a memorandum of understanding -

714 Liz Feldman: I understand that.

715 Karen D'Attore: - [UNCLEAR] of intent. So um, so here's - here's the way to
716 look at this: there is no value to the town to not exempt the properties.
717 There's just not. Your - your town residents will pay more money in their
718 water rate than they will. There's no tax benefit. So across the board,
719 whether we did nothing with the IMA, Town residents will still pay less for
720 their water if the property is exempt then if it isn't that's just across the
721 board. So the - what we want to do, though, is we do think it's in the spirit of
722 working together in a fair and equitable way to work on [UNCLEAR] rates
723 think they were equalization differential. We outlined one way that to do
724 that, that is one way that definitely we could write an IMA on its original

725 conversation. But you know the reality is if we don't there is no
726 conversation that we can have that's going to be as constructive if we do
727 not achieve getting full exemption for the property. Properties.

728 Dana Levenberg: So just to point one quick thing out - sorry to interrupt
729 councilman Feldman, but I just wanted to mention that in- it's - it's not
730 completely accurate to say that this is unprecedented where an - one
731 municipality that that owns property and another pays taxes to that
732 municipality, and there are cases where there are. You know, water plants
733 that are that are located outside however what's - I think differentiates this
734 from - from other municipalities, is that it really is. One more system, so, in
735 other words, the town and Village are both in the same water system,
736 which is, I think, different than in other municipalities so having it be one
737 water system, I think that's really what - you know why there's so much
738 question as to why it was established as, you know, 1.5 to one over you
739 know in 1968. So I think that you know it's been our goal to try to figure out
740 how we can extricate ourselves from that, and this is an opportunity by
741 reducing the out of pocket to the water district by shifting - you know
742 basically taking them off the tax rolls it then offers the opportunity and the
743 timing, to be able to start to shift back in the direction of what should look
744 like one water property. And again - one water system that's you know
745 town Village water system - now we don't know take on the risk so that's
746 again where that extra 10% I think comes in. And I think why it makes
747 sense to have the conversations together, I know that we've talked over
748 time, 'does it make sense to even have these two conversations one' it's
749 not like it's a quid pro quo, it just seems that it makes sense to do these two
750 things together, because one enables the other.

751 Liz Feldman: I do understand that. And I also understand that the
752 difference in length between houses should account for the added
753 percentage that the town outside pays, I agree with that the added
754 infrastructure is definitely worth something. And I agree that I would just like
755 to make sure we're working on them together.

756 Dana Levenberg: Right, and I think that I think that's the point that you were
757 trying to make. And I think it's a good point, which is that I think if we're all
758 under the understanding that we are working on these two things in parallel
759 and in tandem, then, then we get it, but I don't think - I think, because it's an

760 opportunity to fix one thing, while we, while we fix you know, two things at
761 once we don't want to be left hanging feel that we know there's an
762 opportunity for us to be left hanging, so we just want to make sure that that
763 MOU is uh binding I think as - as Councilman Feldman was pointing out
764 that we all know that we're going to get to this and it's not going to be
765 something that that you know gets kicked down the road.

766 Karen D'Attore: Right, so I didn't mean to misspeak, you know if we sign
767 the MOU its binding what - what I didn't want to infer is that we have things
768 set in stone, or that. Option seven is to the - to the way we would have to
769 set the MOU so that's I didn't if that cause confusion, I apologize. The intent
770 of the MOU would be to - you know, would be binding, to the degree - and
771 an MOU is legally binding - but more importantly. It would reiterate our
772 intent to work in good faith on this because we're not able to do the IMA
773 until we have the taxation and it has been customized. To the school board
774 that they are interested, one in understanding what - what the having
775 transparent discussions about the new treatment plant, the provision of
776 water [UNCLEAR] the Town and Village and I think that it would be very
777 difficult to get the other taxing entities to agree to exemption if the town is
778 not willing to do so.

779 Liz Feldman: I do -

780 Karen D'Attore: So because we -

781 Liz Feldman: I'm sorry.

782 Karen D'Attore: - but the MOU - I didn't mean to say that that MOU wasn't
783 binding, I sort of misspoke there, so I apologize.

784 Liz Feldman: I do agree that the exemption makes sense. I just want to get
785 that other issue as well.

786 Dana Levenberg: Right. And anybody else in the other?

787 Jackie Shaw: As a unincorporated town resident the - the water rate
788 differences, always been a sticking point for the unincorporated town, so a
789 plan that gets us closer to equalization is exciting to me, so I find this very
790 interesting and you know I look forward to see where this goes.

791 Dana Levenberg: Well it's gonna go further to Town Board is on board so
792 that is something that we're going to have to you know just sort of get an

793 understanding of where we - you know Is this something that we want to
794 pursue and work together on achieving an MOU and work together on
795 getting closer to that those equalization rates and work to exempt these
796 properties so um you know. I again, I think that I think I kind of made all the
797 arguments before, but just the benefits are lowering what ratepayers are
798 going to pay. Getting much closer to the equalization which has been again
799 something that we've been working on for some time now and - and hoping
800 to achieve, and this is an opportunity to do so. And again, making it just
801 easier to move forward with what's really important, which is protecting our
802 water - our clean water supply, and we know you know when that's not
803 when that's not protected that. That that compromises all of our safety and
804 especially now we're all dealing with safety issues that's - that's not a place
805 that any of us want to be and I don't know I know we haven't really had an
806 update and we do have Andy Tiess, Water Superintendent here this
807 evening I'm not sure if you know and we're not looking for a long and you
808 know long explanation, but if you wanted to give us a couple of words of
809 maybe where you are in the process right now. I am pretty sure you have to
810 the planning board phases just not exactly sure where you guys are and uh
811 anything else.

812 Andy Tiess: Sure. I just wanted to say, like the point that you brought up
813 about the taxing entity. Mount Kisco's water treatment plant is in Bedford -
814 Bedford doesn't benefit from that at all, but there is a small charge that they
815 do charge and there's no benefit to Bed - Bedford. New Castle's water
816 treatment plant is in New Castle. Peekskill's is in Peekskill. So it's kind of a
817 different situation here where um like you said it's one more system, I just
818 wanted to reiterate that. The treatment plant itself um Paul and I had a
819 meeting, the other day with the health department and It was the State
820 Health Department that was on the call, and it was just finalizing the
821 treatment plant design a couple little tiny things need to be done because
822 everybody's aware that we had MIB issues in the water last year and taste
823 and odor issues, so what we had to do was make some modifications on
824 the design, which we have a proposal for that for the manager and for the
825 board to approve if they wish to um. And once that modification is done it
826 takes like four months, once we execute the contract with [UNCLEAR] if we
827 do so then. We submit that to help apartment once more, and the health
828 department is on board with these changes it's not like they're surprised.

829 But essentially what it requires is the powder activated carbon system to be
830 installed in the new treatment plant we're going to use the existing one and
831 buy one more and UV system needs to be sized like five times larger to
832 handle the MIB so um that's - that's being worked on concurrently.

833 Dana Levenberg: So does that – okay so that's four months, and then you
834 have to go out to bid or I mean are you [UNCLEAR] out to bid?

835 Andy Tiess: Right so right. So we did an RFP [Request for Production] for
836 construction management services that's due to the Village Engineer, Paul
837 Fraioli, on Friday by 12 there's like four or five firms interested sites for
838 construction management that'll be in place before we go out to bid. Paul,
839 do you want to say anything?

840 Paul Fraioli: Sorry, I missed the beginning of why you started talking Andy.
841 But uh, I um.

842 Dana Levenberg: asked for a very quick update because we're talking
843 about you know I guess you know why is it that we need this very large and
844 expensive project for our water, and you know, we obviously know we want
845 to protect our water or clean water so maybe just give us uh... uh...

846 Andy Tiess: I could. I could do that part. Because I'm fact, they have no to
847 the last meeting here so I'm glad to have it. So we started design of the
848 new Water Treatment plan tap back in 2016 the current plan was designed
849 for 4 million gallons a day which was constructed in 1986. The last upgrade
850 was 1940. We've extended the existing life of the plant by a lot of the
851 upgrades for the last 35 years in the last 10 years. Chemical feed systems,
852 making sure that everything stays in compliance with 10 state standards
853 and the health department on the - the tobilities, the the particle removals
854 everything that's required by the EPA and the health department has
855 drastically changed in the last 30 years um. So um we've rebuilt, the
856 system to install chemical Phaedra, rebuilt the sedimentation basins that
857 was actually under Paul and the flow clarify errors and chain drives -
858 millions of dollars have been installed in the existing plant to keep us in
859 compliance on back in 2008 we totally replaced the filters from 1940 so
860 we've increased the filters loading rates and we can handle higher flow.
861 With replacing all the vows to the plant so - we say so, like the proactive
862 stuff besides that, on the other side which you guys know we signed on to
863 the New York City water demand management plan in 2016. Which

864 reduced our on accounted for water 30% to 18%. That was the toilet
865 replacement program, that was the aggressive leak detection. In fact we're
866 using these protocols now. Right now, we have 250,000 in the last couple
867 of days 250,000 gallons per days has started to leak in the system, we can
868 see it immediately we call the leak detection company and we'll narrow it
869 down to one or two weeks. And the next week it's like we have this this
870 data that we're using and we have a strong baseline at where we need to
871 be. So 'why do we need the plant?' The plant does not meet 10 state
872 standards. What that means is: over 4 MGD - over 4 million gallons a day -
873 on the filters weren't approved for that, that disinfection wasn't approved for
874 that so. we've passed all of our samples we've never had issues as far as
875 that but there's - there's 10 state standards and best practices, so we need
876 to stay within that realm. And the last thing I was going to say, is we've
877 operated above that 4 million gallons per day in the summertime. We've
878 operated up to 5.2 um and it's - it's - it's hard to stay in compliance up at
879 those levels um, the last thing is the silver lining was that. Although the
880 plant took four years to design we've come across the MID issues, the
881 taste and odor issues and we - we'll be able to address these issues
882 before we build a 35-\$40 million plan and then you know, we could have
883 had the issues later, so we had these upsets in New York city's water
884 system and if these upsets happened, you know after the design and after
885 the bill that would have been really bad.

886 Paul Fraioli: Andy? Can I add one thing?

887 Andy Tiess: Go ahead.

888 Paul Fraioli: So my - my shorter version of that very detailed and thorough
889 explanation is that um the - he DAF dissolved flotation technology and if
890 Andy said this 10 minutes ago, when I wasn't on I apologize, but the
891 dissolve their flotation technology which is going to be the main process
892 stream that removes the contaminant, particularly in the water is - is really
893 the - the state of the art technology as far as potable water plants go these
894 days right now we're operating a settling basin, which is not really the um
895 optimal technology to remove the contaminants at the levels were expected
896 to remove them today versus the levels that we were expected to achieve
897 for removal when the plan was first put online back in the 80s. So that's
898 gonna - it's not only going to be a more efficient plant with more efficient

899 removals, but it'll - it'll - it'll be more accommodating for the removal
900 requirements from the health department, the - the – as far as flows go how
901 Andy said he had a hard time keeping up two summers ago, our last
902 summer, when we were running over 5 million gallon sort of plan which is
903 above are approved design is something that, as we go on the out years
904 and some of the development that we do believe based on our
905 Comprehensive Plan and our build out studies shows us is going to happen
906 in the Village and the Town. We don't want to tax the plant like that. We
907 wanted to be oversized and we want to run the plant to be reduced rate to
908 its design approval, so we can have a plan that can last for decades in the
909 out years when we're completely build out with a technology that could take
910 us that far as well. Including the extra technologies for all these new
911 contaminants that were being hit with every other day. Regulatory agencies
912 or not loosening their grip, they're tightening the grip but that's a good thing
913 right. That's a good thing, because the smarter they get, the smarter, we
914 are forced to get so. Meeting the comprehensive plan potential flows
915 predict - predicted flows - of 6 to 7 million gallons per day, is why we're
916 designing the plan that size today.

917 Dana Levenberg: So there was one discrepancy, you – Andy you described
918 a 30 to \$40 million plant, but we also talked about a \$70 million plant. Can
919 you explain?

920 Paul Fraioli: I think that - we all sat down and Dale started to create our
921 models, with the Managers office we um we really - and Dale I'll say some
922 things that that I think we're in sync here - we really wanted the – the all-
923 inclusive worst case scenario, so you can show the potential impact on
924 either side, I think when Manager D'Attore first started presenting it, or
925 maybe Maddi once you first start presenting a chart said we're using 70
926 million because we wanted to see, you know –

927 Andy Tiess: The reservoir too - the evaluation of the reservoir I believe was
928 25 that 25 million or –

929 Andy Tiess: Thank you. Yes.

930 Karen D'Attore: Right.

931 Andy Tiess: So - so it's 40 million plus the 30 which was 70.

932 Paul Fraioli: Thank you Andy.

933 Dale Brennan: For the for the 2020 assessment roll we're up to 14 million in
934 assessment, so additionally in the in building a plant or you're gonna reach
935 that 70 million.

936 Dana Levenberg: Got it.

937 Karen D'Attore: Thank you for that. We like to under-promise and over-
938 deliver. That's what - that's what our new mantra is.

939 Dana Levenberg: We like it. Okay so I'm sorry I did cut off my other Board
940 colleagues from additional questions, but maybe you have even more
941 questions now or maybe you don't.

942 Paul Fraioli: And Dale, one thing I think the resin - reservoir was increased
943 and – and – under the reval because of us just completing all the damage
944 and take work to write the spillway work which was two years ago, two and
945 a half years ago we finished all that work and yeah That was a \$6 million
946 project.

947 Dale Brennan: That's correct.

948 Dana Levenberg: All right.

949 Liz Feldman: I do have another question after listening to Paul and Andy.
950 You're saying you're building out to a 6 to 7 million gallon treatment plant.
951 Can does sewage treatment plant at the other end handle that?

952 Paul Fraioli: Um... The sanitary plant right now, last time we had any
953 involvement with them, I think they're their [UNCLEAR] under flow right now
954 I don't think I think that's and I'm shooting from the hip here so don't hold
955 me to this, I think that plants designed for 10 MGD influence, and I think
956 they run at about three to four. With the exception of when they have inflow
957 and infiltration issue during uh –

958 Liz Feldman: Storms.

959 Paul Fraioli: storm events. When most - when most county wastewater
960 plants are inundated and that's why they typically have a primary treatment
961 by flow, bypass permit, most of them from - from the DEC.

962 Liz Feldman: Okay, thank you.

963 Paul Fraioli: and you know just keep this at it's a good question and keep in
964 mind, every time. In the Town and in the Village there's a subdivision or
965 there's something new that's created that's going to increase the sanitary
966 flow into the collection system they ask that same question 'does - does
967 your system - can your system take this design' and every subdivision.
968 After its approval locally is sent out to the county Health Department for
969 their review, so they see it as well, and they don't just rubber stamp it. They
970 review the flow and it goes to their Health Department, who reviews it for
971 just that reason. So one of the things to count I don't want to digress too
972 much and bore you, but one of the things the county does to counter
973 exactly what you're bringing up is they asked that municipalities whenever
974 you do a subdivision approval. And maybe Christie might want to expand if
975 she's experienced this in other munis what they ask the - the local
976 community to do when they're planning board approval is to have the
977 developer, make a contribution, or a project somewhere within that
978 municipality continuous to their project for - to prevent inflow and infiltration
979 into the sanitary like to try to offset the increase with a decrease.

980 Liz Feldman: Okay, makes sense. Thank you.

981 Dana Levenberg: Further questions from my board colleagues? Okay, so I
982 know that we're going to have more opportunities to discuss this. I wanted
983 to just get a sense from the board, you've had a chance to review some of
984 the backup - some of the different options, why we got to option seven and
985 some of the material that we sent us in advance of this meeting and again,
986 I think, having reviewed, some of the options it seems like that is the one
987 that has the least and the best impact, I guess, we could say over the
988 course of time and theoretically, raises all ships, as you said, Karen and I
989 think you know again something that maybe starts to get us to what we
990 were hoping to achieve, which is not seeing crazy rate increases every
991 year in our water bills, as a result of this new plant coming online and also
992 starting to see unincorporated having a fairer rate that they're paying in
993 general.

994 Karen D'Attore: Correct.

995 Dana Levenberg: Right so just a quick poll the board. Are you - do you, you
996 know, are you thinking that this is a direction that we can move, keep
997 moving and like it - can you give me any feedback?

998 Greg Meyer: I like it, I think we should continue to move forward with it.

999 Dana Levenberg: Okay.

1000 Jackie Shaw: I agree.

1001 Liz Feldman: Agreed.

1002 Northern Wilcher: [UNCLEAR] I agree.

1003 Dana Levenberg: Fantastic, and so we shall. That's wonderful, thank you
1004 very much -

1005 Karen D'Attore: So um just – just before we wrap up, I just want to give
1006 everybody a sense of timing and what the next steps are.

1007 Dana Levenberg: Yep, yes, I was going to ask that anyway. Yeah.

1008 Karen D'Attore: Oh okay, okay, jumping ahead, sorry.

1009 Dana Levenberg: Yeah.

1010 Karen D'Attore: Yes, um I just – we - we need to go back to the school
1011 Board and the library board. And he actually presented in the school or
1012 have asked us to have these conversations with the Town Board. We are
1013 going to try to get on the school board calendar as soon as we can, you
1014 know, hopefully we can get on their February calendar. If we know that this
1015 is - you know I think being supportive of the exemption of is - is obviously
1016 the first step for the Town if we're directionally on board with - with working
1017 on the IMA [UNCLEAR] to do that, but knowing that we have the exemption
1018 but getting the MOU signed it and everything we can - we can... You know,
1019 obviously we need resolutions and the ability to do that, but we would like
1020 to get to the School Board they're going to start their budget season very
1021 soon, and it gets - as you know, it's been a hectic year for the school
1022 district so the sooner we can get on their calendar, the better. And then
1023 we'll - we'll reach out to the library board as well, so I just wanted to let you
1024 know that it seems to me that we're in a good position do that, based on
1025 where we are right now.

1026 Dana Levenberg: Great and I will just say that what I think we need to do is
1027 just work a little bit more on the MOU, you had sent us a draft, and I think
1028 you know we just want to make sure that that all feels good to us and -

1029 Karen D'Attore: That's fine.

1030 Dana Levenberg: ...and that's fine we're going to work on that with Christie
1031 and Stuart. So now -

1032 Karen D'Attore: Would you - would do then do a resolution to you - you
1033 want to pair the resolution to for the exemption and the agreement on
1034 MOU? Or would the Board be willing to look at the resolution, for exempt -
1035 exemption earlier?

1036 Dana Levenberg: Um...

1037 Karen D'Attore: You know, depending – depending on the MOU

1038 Dana Levenberg: I'm gonna say look that - the MOU to be in place.
1039 Because, again, it is basically - like I said it's kind of a handshake
1040 agreement that says we're all working on those now that's the plan. So I
1041 think again the MOU is like whatever like a one or two page document that
1042 clarifies what we've talked about, essentially, and that makes sure that
1043 we're all on the same page.

1044 Karen D'Attore: Okay, great. Um so you have the MOU. As soon as you get
1045 the comments back to us, we'll - we'll work with you on the MOU and then
1046 hopefully do this, but again we'll move forward and hopefully by the time
1047 we're at the school board, we would have resolved this on both boards,
1048 with a resolution.

1049 Dana Levenberg: Okay sounds great. All right -

1050 Karen D'Attore: Thank you all so much. It's great seeing you again.

1051 Andy Tiess: Thank you.

1052 Northern Wilcher: Thank you.

1053 Dana Levenberg: Great to see you too, even though we're all in the same –

1054 Karen D'Attore: Well.

1055 Dana Levenberg: Zoom room. So we very much appreciate the time that
1056 you've taken to explain everything to us, and I know that we have up next a
1057 few more topics to discuss with at least with – at least with Andy and Paul. I
1058 think - I don't know if they're both staying on I think they are so we're going
1059 to keep them and we'll let you go and thank you again Maddi for and Karen

1060 both for the very thorough and clear explanation. Really appreciate it, and
1061 all the hard work that went on, and thank you Dale as well.

1062 Karen D'Attore: Thank you everybody.

1063 Dana Levenberg: [UNCLEAR]

1064 Karen D'Attore: Have a good night.

1065 Dana Levenberg: [UNCLEAR] with you and Tom.

1066 UNCLEAR: Goodnight.

1067 Maddi Zachacz: Nice to see everybody.

1068 UNCLEAR: Yes.

1069 Maddi Zachacz: Take care.

1070 Liz Feldman: Nice to see everybody. Miss you.

1071 Karen D'Attore: Okay buh-bye.

1072 Dana Levenberg: Bye. Alright, so finally, we are going to ask Paul and
1073 Andy to stick around for this departmental report. On the top of the list is
1074 actually not the water treatment plant, but McCarthy Drive rehabilitation
1075 project, I think we may also hear a little bit from Andy about our
1076 superintendent's cottage restoration at Dale Cemetery. Although I don't
1077 know - I know you're still there Andy, oh yeah you moved around, so I lost
1078 track of you. And we also did receive a price quote, most recently, for
1079 McCarthy Drive from our engineers Dolph Rotfeld for construction
1080 administration so we're hoping, Paul that you can walk us through a little bit
1081 about where we are with the bid response. And the recommendation from
1082 our engineers to move forward with the low that are for the McCarthy Drive
1083 project which has been a number of years in the making. So I kind of
1084 flipped around but McCarthy Drive and a couple other things. You guys are
1085 on. Thank you.

1086 Paul Fraioli: Thank you. Andy I'll talk about McCarthy, then we get into the
1087 other stuff.

1088 Andy Tiess: I only have one thing about the about the Dale Cemetery so.

1089 Paul Fraioli: Okay.

1090 Paul Fraioli: So.

1091 Dana Levenberg: Do you want to go first Andy, is that what you're saying.

1092 Andy Tiess: Yeah I'll go quick, because I got a call the plant on one thing
1093 um but I'll - I'll be back and forth on the call.

1094 Dana Levenberg: Sorry Paul.

1095 Paul Fraioli: Great.

1096 Andy Tiess: So real quick: Dale Cemetery Cottage it's kind of slowed down
1097 because of the weather. The contractor still waiting on the windows once
1098 the windows come in, you know they'll install them. Whether needs to get
1099 better for the stucco anyways and for the painting, but I was talking to Pete
1100 today couldn't be any happier with you know the contractor that was
1101 picked. On the only other thing I had was the two generators that the Town
1102 Board awarded for both sewer lift stations, we just need the authorized
1103 signature from your office and then we're set to go. I'm going to set up the
1104 pre-construction meeting as soon as we get that.

1105 Dana Levenberg: Alright sounds good.

1106 Andy Tiess: I'll be right back, let me just make this [UNCLEAR]. Thanks.

1107 Dana Levenberg: You have to admit you're going to be longer than that,
1108 Paul.

1109 Paul Fraioli: Just a little.

1110 Dana Levenberg: Okay.

1111 Paul Fraioli: All right so, two things on the plate. I'll talk a little bit about the
1112 borrow for McCarthy Drive and the sub topic that is the additional borrow
1113 for the construction management and engineering services during
1114 construction. So the first thing is, I think most of you are familiar with the bid
1115 results, but if not I'll just do a quick synopsis. The bid results were opened
1116 by the Clerk on the 29th of December. And the low - apparent low bidder,
1117 which were taking you for consideration of approval, as the qualified low
1118 bidder is Montesano Brothers. They're Westchester County firm and the
1119 engineer is familiar with them. They've never done work in the Village in my
1120 tenure, or in the Town as far as I know, but I have spoken to people who
1121 work with that firm and references all check out. Your bid - their lump sum

1122 bid was 2.465 million the one right after that was 2.934 million and then 3.1,
1123 3.2, 3.3, it's 3.4 and then there was an outlier of 5.5 million bid, so it was it
1124 was relatively tight. We're happy with that number, based on the end scope
1125 of the project that was included in the big documents and the engineer
1126 submitted a formal recommendation, and I think that was circulated to you
1127 all, but if not, the recommendation was to make the award to Montesano
1128 Brothers incorporated For 2.465 million. There was work in that project that
1129 is for the Village water main replacement that exists in McCarthy Drive and
1130 the way the IMA is structured right now, the Village needs to incur the cost
1131 of that replacement, so the recommendation is to ward is for the full 2.4
1132 million with a - paid by the town and then through the finance office a
1133 reimbursement from the Village for the \$598,000 at the contractor has bid
1134 to perform the water main facet of that project will be reimbursed to the
1135 project. So ultimately the town borrow will be 2.4 less than 598 - \$598,000.
1136 The second component of the borrow was the production management
1137 services, which there was another memo sent in that included a proposal
1138 for not to exceed number of \$158,000 for construction management
1139 inspection and engineering services during construction. It's anticipated
1140 that this project will last six months in the field so it'll be some work up front
1141 there'll be some clothes at work, but the majority of the work is going to
1142 take place in that six month period and that's going in that six month period
1143 is going to include a full time site inspector to oversee the work taking place
1144 on McCarthy Drive. It's very similar in administration and it's actually the
1145 same firm but this firm was actually a bought out by a larger engineering
1146 conglomerate that's why the name is different. But this is the same firm that
1147 did the town's Old Albany Post Road work and I'd like to think that that's it
1148 was a very successful project and coincidentally, was also a dead end
1149 project for - for the street so it's very similar in its nature. Old Albany Post
1150 Road was very complex, this is a little more straightforward, but this
1151 definitely has a lot more infrastructure component to it, including the full the
1152 full road reconstruction after the what they're calling now the road is - is
1153 ripped out. So we're bringing that to you guys for consideration tonight as
1154 well. So it's a 2.4 million plus that 150 thousand [UNCLEAR] services for
1155 the complete borrow. I reviewed this with the finance department already.
1156 The borrow presented includes all of that cost plus some contingency
1157 should something happen in the field that we need to fund, we don't want to
1158 go back and have to borrow more money. We have some contingency

1159 within the construction project they're ready, but historically and
1160 successfully, we always include a little extra in the borrow just for that
1161 reason.

1162 Dale Brennan: The bond resolution that will be coming before the Town
1163 Board next Tuesday, is for 2,350,000. This just allows you to borrow that
1164 much you don't have to borrow that much by the time we go out to the bond
1165 market if we see the numbers coming in, and we can adjust them, we only
1166 borrow for what we need. But you can never far more than you're approved
1167 so it's - it's safer to - to have a little extra in there.

1168 Dana Levenberg: Okay, and we had uh discussed a little bit about how
1169 we've gotten a document from Dolph about the construction management
1170 for a lot last month earlier in the project, and we want to have an
1171 understanding Paul of why it had increased so much and what changed.

1172 Paul Fraioli: Okay. So a couple years ago, I guess um I don't know the date
1173 on the original proposal, but I think it was like between 60 and 70,000.
1174 Does that sound right?

1175 Dana Levenberg: Not for this part of it, it was 15 -

1176 Paul Fraioli: No, no, the - the original project proposal from Dolph.

1177 Dana Levenberg: Yes. That sounds about right.

1178 Paul Fraioli: And it had - it had a last task to it of about \$15,000 for site
1179 services. Including, you know, site inspection and such very similar what
1180 this is, including. However, this is including a full time site presence which
1181 is really the bulk of the cost and it's something that... I guess if I if I delve a
1182 little deeper with the engineer at the time and his proposal I might have
1183 tried to ferret that out, and maybe brought that to the Town's attention a
1184 little sooner. So I'm sorry about that. But at the time I really wasn't certain
1185 on the scope and the need for full time presence, but that is clear to me
1186 now and that's why I'm bringing it forth to present it now, instead of having
1187 for you a couple years ago.

1188 Liz Feldman: So it's absolutely necessary to have somebody full time?

1189 Paul Fraioli: I think so, and based on the nature of this work. And I think
1190 that - I know that the way this is going is written up the way we've worked
1191 with them in the past and the way we'll work with them on this is that it'll be

1192 a 'not to exceed' purchase order that will create for them and their contract
1193 and you know I will be often on that job routinely – daily - to see what's
1194 going on, and if it gets to the point where that person is not needed on the
1195 site or if we finish early or if anything like that happens, or you know we're
1196 not reaching the billable limit on the contract, we just won't pay the full
1197 amount. We'll draw down on that as we go. This - I don't want to call this a
1198 worst case scenario, but this is - this is the when I sat down with them to go
1199 through these details, this is the worst scenario, how we have to be there
1200 every second of every day in the longest possible schedule on the project.

1201 Victoria Cafarelli: Right, it seemed like in the proposal, the - the what they
1202 were - state - or the other proposal, we had the hourly rate so I'm assuming
1203 will be paying on an hourly basis with some relative frequency in
1204 accordance –

1205 Paul Fraioli: Yeah.

1206 Victoria Cafarelli: - of what they're actually working so...

1207 Dana Levenberg: Okay, I mean again just can you give a little bit more
1208 explanation, just so we have an understanding. We have undertaken a lot
1209 of these projects and you know, and I mean just - you know, Dale
1210 Cemetery obviously is much smaller job, but you know we don't have
1211 anybody necessarily looking at that every single day. So I - I, again just
1212 maybe you can explain why this job is different, I know that it's obviously a
1213 much larger job and a lot more components to it. Just to have an
1214 understanding what it means to have that you know, whatever full time
1215 surveillance or full time oversight, I guess, you could say.

1216 Paul Fraioli: Well you're in it you're in a residential area and it right away
1217 with I think 30 - 32 homes that are impacted is also going to be a large
1218 portion of that work that takes place on Stormytown Road. Um so there's
1219 going to be a lot of coordination for that work. And, yes, it is the contractors
1220 responsibility to coordinate and set up all those traffic patterns and - and
1221 pay for any necessary police presence and such but contractors on every
1222 job, regardless of how good the contract there is - is there to make money.
1223 And sometimes that leads to shortcuts and you can't work those shortcuts if
1224 you're not there, full time, watching. And it'll also help the contractor
1225 coordinate and expedite. That's why we're comfortable on a \$2.4 million
1226 project that has someone there full time.

1227 Andy Tiess: Or, for example, is North State Road, the amount of water
1228 breaks when that when that water main was put in 1960s, it was not being
1229 watched correctly, you know we have three or four water main breaks on
1230 North state road a year and most of the time when we dig up the water
1231 main whoever was the contractor and lack of oversight back then you have
1232 huge boulders that were thrown in there, because it was off of other jobs so
1233 like these jobs needs to be watched very closely.

1234 Dana Levenberg: All righty. Anybody on the Town Board, any more
1235 questions?

1236 Liz Feldman: Is kind of sad they need a babysitter. You think it'd be an
1237 honor system.

1238 Dana Levenberg: Overall questions - any questions about the overall
1239 project? I mean, I think that what's - the nice part about this project is it
1240 actually is going to help some of the neighboring streets as well, I believe,
1241 so it's not just the street, but other, you know it's going to improve the
1242 drainage for some of the other properties on the back end and on the sides
1243 I think on both the neighboring roads, so I think that's also a nice benefit of
1244 this project, not to mention the fact that again this is identified as a Town
1245 Road some years back and we have now just gotten, to the point where we
1246 can treat it as such.

1247 Paul Fraioli: Yeah I agree and - does - something here component of this
1248 project that's different than a lot of infrastructure projects that we do, where
1249 will work underground and then we'll backfill it and be you know the glory
1250 will work is really back onto the ground, not to be seen this one we wanted,
1251 we do the road restoration there's going to be a lot of aesthetic
1252 improvements for that whole street, um drive that don't exist now. I think it's
1253 - it's going to be a really nice benefit for not just those homes, where
1254 Stormytown has the interface there's going to be a lot nicer. It's good. Good
1255 project. I'm excited.

1256 Dana Levenberg: Great well we're excited to see it finally shaping up into a
1257 real - into a real thing so and in terms of timing, if all gets approved and we
1258 accept the low bid and we go out to bond, when are we planning to start?

1259 Paul Fraioli: I also talked about this with Dale we can award once the
1260 referendum is approved, right? But we can't really make uh I'm sorry we

1261 can we can award after the- the referendum 30? 30 days right? But we
1262 don't have to wait through the title stop period, but we do have to wait for
1263 the entire - entire stopping period to make the first payment which typically
1264 won't happen until a couple of months after Ward anyway because that's
1265 when they get all their paperwork in, and the only thing you'll see come in
1266 as under the first payment is typically mobilization and insurance which
1267 they - contractors do pay up front, so they bill up front.

1268 Dana Levenberg: Okay, so but we're looking we're expecting to start this in
1269 early spring - late - late winter, early spring, is that the plan?

1270 Paul Fraioli: Yeah - yeah I think so um you know everything I just said is
1271 going to start to take place now February and into March and then see
1272 activity out there and in April, probably.

1273 Dana Levenberg: All right, and so, but we're gonna have a the bond
1274 resolution on for our next meeting. Is that correct?

1275 Victoria Cafarelli: Right yes.

1276 Dana Levenberg: Okay, any other questions Town Board?

1277 Dana Levenberg: No? All right.

1278 Paul Fraioli: Thank you.

1279 Dana Levenberg: Thank you very much, there anything else that you want
1280 to talk to us about besides those topics? Was there anything else you had
1281 lined up?

1282 Paul Fraioli: Not this evening, no.

1283 Dana Levenberg: Alright well that's okay.

1284 Andy Tiess: [UNCLEAR] Thank you.

1285 Victoria Cafarelli: I will -

1286 Dana Levenberg: And -

1287 Victoria Cafarelli: - I will just throw out there, while we have Dale on that in
1288 addition to the bond resolution for McCarthy Drive, there will be a bond
1289 resolution for the purchase of our electric bus so both of those will be on
1290 the Town Boards agenda for - for next week.

1291 Dana Levenberg: Right and just as a reminder, we are getting
1292 reimbursement through the Community Development Block - block - block
1293 Grant for the electric bus for our Senior Program.

1294 Victoria Cafarelli: Correct.

1295 Dana Levenberg: And it takes at least seven months to - once we issue a
1296 purchase order. So we're not going to see that vehicle until hopefully we
1297 can actually use it again to have people come to our come to our Program.

1298 Victoria Cafarelli: Correct.

1299 Dana Levenberg: That would be the hope. That will be -

1300 Victoria Cafarelli: Right. And the Town Board just approved the contract
1301 extension for that grant, so we know that we are in the clear receive those
1302 funds [UNCLEAR].

1303 Dana Levenberg: Alright, so lots of exciting things that we talked about
1304 tonight, I know that there's a planning board meeting tomorrow night, I just
1305 want to mention that many of our community members have been
1306 interested in the project proposed project for the Stony Lodge property, so I
1307 think it's a work session as well for the planning board. And they'll be
1308 hearing the presentation, I do not think that there are any opportunities for
1309 public comment tomorrow night but, of course, the public is always
1310 welcome to submit comments by in writing. And there will be other plenty of
1311 other opportunities to - for the public to weigh in, and we will continue to
1312 carefully monitor the project. Much has changed since the last time we saw
1313 it and we'll look to see what - what it offers to the town. So with that may I
1314 have a motion to adjourn to executive session for personnel advice of
1315 counsel and contracts – and [UNCLEAR] -

1316 Northern Wilcher: So moved.

1317 Dana Levenberg: All those in favor?

1318 All: Aye.

1319 Dana Levenberg: Any opposed? So thank you so much for joining us.
1320 Thank you all for your departmental reports and for the Village folk and
1321 Town - Village with town hats on for being here this evening. We look
1322 forward to seeing everybody Tuesday January 26 at 7:30pm for our regular

1323 meeting, and you are free to join us via zoom or dial in by phone.
1324 Information for each meeting is posted on our website each Friday and
1325 included in my Supervisors Update and have a great night everybody.