

TOWN BOARD
GARNERVILLE, NY
JANUARY 6, 2011

The Haverstraw Town Board met at the Re-Organization Meeting on Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

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

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1-11 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
APPOINTED BY SUPERVISOR PHILLIPS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED BY THE FULL TOWN BOARD.

RESOLVED, THAT ISIDRO CANCEL BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED DEPUTY SUPERVISOR OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW AND THAT AT ALL TIMES HEREINAFTER THE DEPUTY SUPERVISOR SHALL BE BONDED BY A PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND IN THE SUM OF \$200,000 WHICH BOND SHALL BE APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW.

2-11 DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES
MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY GOULD

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 64 OF THE TOWN LAW, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW SHALL HAVE THE GENERAL MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE FINANCES OF THE TOWN, AND

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO THE ABOVE SECTION, THE TOWN BOARD SHALL DESIGNATE BY RESOLUTION THE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN WHICH THE SUPERVISOR OF A TOWN SHALL DEPOSIT ALL MONIES OF THE TOWN, AND

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 OF THE TOWN LAW, THE SUPERVISOR OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW IS EMPOWERED TO DEPOSIT ALL TOWN MONIES IN SUCH BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES AS THE TOWN BOARD MAY DESIGNATE, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR BE AND HE HEREBY IS AUTHORIZED TO ESTABLISH A WRITTEN SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS AND EXPENDITURES, OUTLINING THE LOCATION AND TYPES OF INVESTMENTS, PURSUANT TO THE TOWN'S INVESTMENT POLICY AS AN AUDIT AND CONTROL DEVICE, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS AUTHORIZED TO DEPOSIT TOWN MONIES IN ALL COMMERCIAL BANKS WHICH HAVE OFFICES IN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, OR ANY BANK THAT MEETS THE NEW YORK STATE COMPTROLLER'S REQUIREMENTS OF MATCHED COLLATERAL AND GIVE THE TOWN AS HIGH OR HIGHER INTEREST ON ITS MONIES, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS AUTHORIZED TO DEPOSIT TOWN MONIES IN INTEREST-BEARING CHECKING ACCOUNTS AND TO INVEST SAME IN CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

3-11 DESIGNATION OF TOWN BOARD MEETING DATES
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE TOWN BOARD SHALL BE HELD ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH MONDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 8 P.M., WORKSHOP MEETINGS SHALL BE HELD AT 6 P.M. ON THE MEETING DATE AT THE HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK. WORKSHOPS SHALL ALSO BE HELD ON ALL OTHER MONDAYS AT 7:00 P.M., AS NEEDED.

4-11 APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

APPOINTMENT BY SUPERVISOR PHILLIPS

COUNCILMAN GAMBOLI RECUSED HIMSELF FROM VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION.

RESOLVED, THAT MICHAEL J. GAMBOLI OF WEST HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF FINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

5-11 APPOINTMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT TO SUPERVISOR

APPOINTMENT BY SUPERVISOR PHILLIPS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED BY THE FULL TOWN BOARD.

RESOLVED, THAT ALEX GUARINO OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT TO SUPERVISOR FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

6-11 APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTANT (PART-TIME)

MOTION BY GAMBOLI

SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT BERARD & DONAHUE, LLP OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED ACCOUNTANT (PART-TIME) FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

7-11 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

MOTION BY SOTO

SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, THAT KORN & ROSENBAUM, LLP OF POMONA, NEW YORK BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY ARE APPOINTED AUDITORS FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

8-11 APPOINTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (PART TIME)

MOTION BY CANCEL

SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT CLAUDIA PERRY OF HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (PART-TIME) FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

9-11 APPOINTMENT OF TOWN HISTORIAN (PART-TIME)

MOTION BY SOTO

SECONDED BY GOULD

RESOLVED, THAT STEPHEN COBB OF HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED TOWN HISTORIAN FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

10-11 RESOLUTION - NO COUNTERSIGNATURE ON SUPERVISOR'S CHECKS

MOTION BY GAMBOLI

SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, THAT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY ANY AND ALL CHECKS ISSUED IN PAYMENT OF THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW SHALL REQUIRE THE SOLE SIGNATURE OF THE SUPERVISOR OR IN THE ABSENCE OR INABILITY TO ACT AS THE SUPERVISOR, THE SIGNATURE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERVISOR.

11-11 DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT THE ROCKLAND JOURNAL NEWS BE AND IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE ROCKLAND COUNTY TIMES, ROCKLAND REVIEW, EL SOL DE NEW YORK AND EL CLARIN ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED AS ADDITIONAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW.

12-11 RESOLUTION - ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR BE AND HE HEREBY IS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 (10-a) OF THE TOWN LAW, TO SUBMIT WITHIN 120 DAYS AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2010, A COPY OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER AND THE TOWN CLERK, AND BE IT IS FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN CLERK IS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO CAUSE A SUMMARY OF SUCH REPORT TO BE PUBLISHED AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 29, PARAGRAPH (10-a) OF THE TOWN LAW.

13-11 APPOINTMENT OF EMERGENCY COORDINATOR PART-TIME
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY GOULD

RESOLVED, THAT GERALD KNAPP OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED EMERGENCY COORDINATOR (PART-TIME) FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

14-11 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS BY SUPERVISOR
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY CANCEL

THE TOWN BOARD DOES HEREBY APPOINT THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 2011:

POLICE COMMISSIONERS	FULL BOARD
PARKS & RECREATION	FULL BOARD
SENIOR CITIZENS	SUPERVISOR HOWARD PHILLIPS COUNCILMAN JOHN GOULD COUNCILMAN HECTOR SOTO
YOUTH BOARD	SUPERVISOR HOWARD PHILLIPS COUNCILMAN ISIDRO CANCEL COUNCILMAN HECTOR SOTO
FINANCE	FULL BOARD
SANITATION COMMISSION	FULL BOARD
LABOR MANAGEMENT	SUPERVISOR HOWARD PHILLIPS COUNCILMAN JOHN GOULD COUNCILMAN VINCENT GAMBOLI
GOLF COURSE	SUPERVISOR HOWARD PHILLIPS COUNCILMAN ISIDRO CANCEL COUNCILMAN VINCENT GAMBOLI

EMERGENCY SERVICES

**FULL BOARD
GERALD KNAPP
EMERGENCY COORDINATOR
MICHAEL GAMBOLI, ASSISTANT
EMERGENCY COORDINATOR**

POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON

FULL BOARD

TRAFFIC ADVISORY BOARD

FULL BOARD

15-11 APPOINTMENT OF FIRST DEPUTY RECEIVER OF TAXES

MOTION BY SOTO

SECONDED BY GOULD

LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT COUNCILMAN GAMBOLI RECUSED HIMSELF FROM VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION.

RESOLVED, THAT UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, THAT DONNA M. ROSE OF 45 OSSMAN COURT, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND SHE HEREBY IS APPOINTED FIRST DEPUTY RECEIVER OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

16-11 APPOINTMENT OF FIRST DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

MOTION BY GAMBOLI

SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWN CLERK, RAQUEL VENTURA OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND SHE HEREBY IS APPOINTED FIRST DEPUTY TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

17-11 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

MOTION BY SOTO

SECONDED BY GOULD

RESOLVED, THAT UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWN CLERK, GINA NISHANIAN OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND SHE HEREBY IS APPOINTED DEPUTY TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

18-11 AUTHORIZATION FOR TOWN ATTORNEY AND TOWN ASSESSOR TO SETTLE SMALL CLAIM ASSESSMENT REVIEW CASES

MOTION BY GOULD

SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ATTORNEY AND TOWN ASSESSOR TO SETTLE SMALL CLAIM ASSESSMENT REVIEW CASES FOR RESIDENCES NOT EXCEEDING THREE (3) FAMILIES WITHOUT ADDITIONAL APPROVAL BEING OBTAINED FROM THE TOWN BOARD.

19-11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN TO PLANNING BOARD

MOTION BY CANCEL

SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT SALVATORE CORALLO OF THIELLS, NY, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

20-11 APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT SAMBRATO TO PLANNING BOARD
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, THAT ROBERT SAMBRATO OF GARNERVILLE, NY, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED TO THE PLANNING BOARD FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2015.

21-11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT JOSEPH BOCHNICK OF THIELLS, NEW YORK, BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

22-11 DESIGNATION OF PLANNING BOARD MEETING DATES
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE PLANNING BOARD SHALL BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 8 P.M. AT THE HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK.

23-11 DESIGNATION OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING DATES
MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS SHALL BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7 P.M. AT THE HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK.

24-11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW
MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY GOULD

RESOLVED, THAT RAYMOND CAREY OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

25-11 APPOINTMENT OF BARRY BERMAN TO ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERM
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT BARRY BERMAN OF GARNERVILLE, NY BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED TO THE ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF COLIN OSSMAN, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2012.

26-11 DESIGNATION OF ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING DATE
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW SHALL BE HELD ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH MONDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 5 P.M. AT THE HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK.

**27-11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW
MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY SOTO**

RESOLVED, THAT GILBERT CARLEVARRO OF HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

**28-11 ESTABLISHMENT OF MILEAGE ALLOWANCE
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GOULD**

WHEREAS, TOWN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES WILL BE REQUIRED DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR 2011 TO UTILIZE THEIR OWN AUTOMOBILES IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES, AND

WHEREAS, SAID TOWN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE RENDERED A REASONABLE COMPENSATION FOR USE OF SUCH AUTOMOBILES, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT THE COMPENSATION FOR USE OF SAID AUTOMOBILES FOR THE YEAR 2011 BE SET AT .51 CENTS PER MILE, WHICH IS THE FEDERAL RATE FOR 2011.

**29-11 HIGHWAY TOOL AUTHORIZATION
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS BE AND HE IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT, TOOLS AND OTHER IMPLEMENTS TO BE USED FOR HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE, CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION, SNOW PLOW OR OTHER DEVICES FOR THE REMOVAL OF SNOW UP TO THE SUM OF \$1,000.00 PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 142 OF THE HIGHWAY LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

**30-11 ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH - TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GOULD**

WHEREAS, THE TOWN CLERK IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HER OFFICIAL DUTIES REQUIRES IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF TOWN FUNDS, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT A PETTY CASH FUND NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$100.00 BE AND IT IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED FOR THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE YEAR 2011.

**31-11 ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH - DETECTIVE DIVISION
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

WHEREAS, THE DETECTIVE DIVISION IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES REQUIRES IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF TOWN FUNDS, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT A PETTY CASH FUND NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$200.00 BE AND IT IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED FOR THE DETECTIVE DIVISION OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE YEAR 2011.

32-11 ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH - CHIEF OF POLICE

**MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

WHEREAS, THE CHIEF OF POLICE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES REQUIRES IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF TOWN FUNDS, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT A PETTY CASH FUND NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$150.00 BE AND IT IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED FOR THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE YEAR 2011.

33-11 ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH - RECREATION OFFICE

**MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY GOULD**

WHEREAS, THE RECREATION FACILITY ATTENDANT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HER OFFICIAL DUTIES REQUIRES IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF TOWN FUNDS, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT A PETTY CASH FUND NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$100.00 BE AND IT IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED FOR THE RECREATION FACILITY ATTENDANT OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE YEAR 2011.

34-11 ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH - JUSTICE COURT

**MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI**

WHEREAS, THE JUSTICE COURT CLERK IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HER OFFICIAL DUTIES REQUIRES IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF TOWN FUNDS, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT A PETTY CASH FUND NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$100.00 BE AND IT IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED FOR THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE YEAR 2011.

35-11 ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS RESOLUTION

**MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

RESOLVED, THAT ALL TOWN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES BE AUTHORIZED TO ATTEND, ONLY UPON WRITTEN REQUEST AND APPROVED BY THE SUPERVISOR, THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO BE HELD AT THE NEW YORK HILTON, NEW YORK CITY, ON FEBRUARY 20, 21, 22 AND 23, 2011, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BE DESIGNATED AND AUTHORIZED TO CAST THE VOTE OF THE TOWN AT SAID ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS MEETING OR ASSIGN A DESIGNEE IN THE EVENT HE IS UNABLE TO ATTEND.

36-11 ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS - BUILDING INSPECTOR AND SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

**MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI**

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2010 AND THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2010 BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY ACCEPTED AND ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE PUBLIC'S INSPECTION.

37-11 APPOINTMENT OF MARRIAGE OFFICERS
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, PURSUANT TO SECTION 11 (c) OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS LAW, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY DESIGNATE THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AS MARRIAGE OFFICERS FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011 AT NO SALARY:

HOWARD T. PHILLIPS, JR., SUPERVISOR; ISIDRO CANCEL, COUNCILMAN; VINCENT GAMBOLI, COUNCILMAN; JOHN GOULD, COUNCILMAN; HECTOR SOTO COUNCILMAN AND JOSEPHINE E. CARELLA, TOWN CLERK.

38-11 APPOINTMENT OF CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GOULD

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY DESIGNATES THE FOLLOWING TO SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR A TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2011:

HENRY GESSNER, CHAIRMAN, MARY YOUNG, MARY ELLEN PESCI, DANIEL CALLAHAN, LYNN FOY, CINDY BLACKWELL, SHARON MOORE KELLMAN, JOSEPH SILVERIO, MICHAEL DOLAN AND LUIGI DELUCIA.

39-11 APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW YOUTH BOARD
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

COUNCILMAN GOULD RECUSED HIMSELF FROM VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION.

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY DESIGNATES THE FOLLOWING TO SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH BOARD FOR A TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2011:

MARTIN ANCIN, HECTOR AROCENA, JANSEN BARRON, JOHN CASEY, THOMAS CURLEY, PETER ECKERT, MICHAEL GILL, FRANK PALLADINO, MICHAEL SANSONETTI, MAUREEN GOULD, JUDITH CURCIO, APRIL COBB, PAUL CLEARY, SANDRA LIEKEN AND OLIVIA ANCIN.

40-11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRWOMAN TO HAVERSTRAW YOUTH BOARD
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT APRIL COBB OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK, BE AND HE HEREBY IS APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE HAVERSTRAW YOUTH BOARD FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

41-11 APPOINTMENT TO ETHICS BOARD
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPOINTS STEPHEN COBB TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ETHICS BOARD FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2011.

42-11 APPOINTMENT TO ETHICS BOARD

**MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPOINTS FATHER THOMAS MADDEN TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ETHICS BOARD FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2011.

43-11 APPOINTMENT OF SYLVIA WELCH, GRANT WRITER

**MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GOULD**

RESOLVED, THAT SYLVIA WELCH OF PIERMONT, NEW YORK BE AND SHE HEREBY IS APPOINTED GRANT WRITER FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A CONTRACT PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2011.

44-11 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN TO FIRE PREVENTION AND COMMERCIAL BURGLAR ALARM BOARD

**MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI**

RESOLVED, THAT JAMES McGOVERN OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRE PREVENTION BOARD AND COMMERCIAL BURGLAR ALARM BOARD FOR A ONE (1) YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

45-11 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING CONSULTANT

**MOTION GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY SOTO**

RESOLVED, THAT MICHAEL KAUKER OF MICHAEL F. KAUKER ASSOCIATES OF WYCKOFF, NEW JERSEY BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED PLANNING CONSULTANT FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE CONTRACTUAL PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH MR. KAUKER.

46-11 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING ENGINEERING CONSULTANT

**MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY GOULD**

RESOLVED, THAT JOSEPH CARUSO OF MASER CONSULTANTS, CHESTNUT RIDGE, NEW YORK BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED PLANNING AND ZONING ENGINEERING CONSULTANT FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE CONTRACTUAL PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH MR. CARUSO.

**47-11 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING ATTORNEY
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY GOULD**

RESOLVED, THAT SILVERBERG & ZANTALIS LLP OF TARRYTOWN, NEW YORK BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED PLANNING & ZONING ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE CONTRACTUAL PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH MR. SILVERBERG.

**48-11 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW AND KEANE & BEANE
MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI**

RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF WILLIAM M. STEIN, TOWN ATTORNEY, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH KEANE & BEANE OF WHITE PLAINS, NEW YORK FOR THE PURPOSES OF REPRESENTING THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW IN REGARD TO POLICE AND LABOR MATTERS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO NEGOTIATIONS, DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AND CONSULTATIONS, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH MR. LONGO.

**49-11 APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS, TOWN CLERK, FIRST DEPUTY TOWN CLERK AND DEPUTY TOWN CLERK
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

RESOLVED, THAT JOSEPHINE E. CARELLA, TOWN CLERK, RAQUEL VENTURA, FIRST DEPUTY TOWN CLERK AND GINA NISHANIAN, DEPUTY TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BE AND THEY HEREBY ARE APPOINTED REGISTRARS OF VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW.

**50-11 APPOINTMENT OF VIRGINIA TERILLI - BINGO INSPECTOR
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY GOULD**

RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, VIRGINIA TERILLI OF HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK IS HEREBY APPOINTED TO THE POSITION OF BINGO INSPECTOR FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW FOR A ONE YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND TERMINATING DECEMBER 31, 2011.

**51-11 ADOPTION OF INVESTMENT POLICY
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY CANCEL**

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY ADOPT THE INVESTMENT POLICY ATTACHED HERETO AS THE OFFICIAL INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2011.

52-11 ACCEPTANCE OF 2011 SALARY SCHEDULE
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY ACCEPT THE ATTACHED 2011 SALARY SCHEDULE.

53-11 FACSIMILE STAMP FOR VOUCHERS
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCILMEN SHALL BE ALLOWED TO APPROVE VOUCHERS BY USING A FACSIMILE STAMP OF THEIR SIGNATURE.

54-11 ANNUAL 2011 SOCIAL SERVICES, HOME RELIEF, ADMINISTRATION, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL CONTRACTS
MOTION BY CANCEL
SECONDED BY SOTO

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY APPROVE THE ATTACHED CONTRACT AGENCY SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011.

55-11 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING STANDARD WORK WEEK FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS
MOTION BY SOTO
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BE AND HEREBY ESTABLISHES THE FOLLOWING AS A STANDARD WORK WEEK FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPORTING TO THE NEW YORK STATE AND LOCAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM:

ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS
ALL TITLES/ALL POSITIONS
35 HOURS PER WEEK,

APPOINTED OFFICIALS
ALL TITLES/ALL POSITIONS
35 HOURS PER WEEK

56-11 DESIGNATION OF POLICE COMMISSION MEETING DATES
MOTION BY GAMBOLI
SECONDED BY CANCEL

RESOLVED, THAT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE POLICE COMMISSION SHALL BE HELD ON THE THIRD MONDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 4:00 P.M. AT THE HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL, ONE ROSMAN ROAD, GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK.

**SUPERVISOR PHILLIPS READ THE 2011 SUPERVISOR'S STATE OF THE TOWN
MESSAGE (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED)**

2011 STATE OF THE TOWN

IT IS HAS BEEN MY CUSTOM EACH YEAR AT THE REORGANIZATION MEETING TO REVIEW OUR PAST ACHIEVEMENTS AND SET GOALS FOR THE NEW YEAR. I AM EXTREMELY PROUD OF WHAT THE TOWN BOARD MEMBERS AND I HAVE ACHIEVED WITH OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND TOWN EMPLOYEES OVER THE LAST YEAR. BUT BEFORE I BEGIN MY REVIEW, I THINK IT IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE THAT WE CLEARLY UNDERSTAND AND SEE THE LANDSCAPE AS IT APPEARS FOR GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESSES IN NEW YORK STATE.

COGNIZANT OF WHAT IS FOREMOST IN THE MINDS OF OUR RESIDENTS IS THE DRACONIAN ECONOMY THAT WE ARE LIVING IN. SOME MAY EVEN SAY THAT WE ARE LIVING IN EXTRAORDINARY TIMES. OUR FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT ARE FACING ENORMOUS DEFICITS THAT WILL NOT ONLY AFFECT US BUT GENERATIONS TO COME. THEY HAVE LIVED BEYOND THEIR MEANS, AS IF THERE WERE A POT OF GOLD THAT THEY COULD ALWAYS DRAW FROM TO COVER THE EXPENSES THEY APPROVED. THEY HAVE PASSED ON TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATED PROGRAMS AND EXPENSES NOT CARING HOW THE LOCAL TAXPAYER WOULD BE ABLE TO AFFORD THESE PROGRAMS. WE HAVE SEEN LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES SUCH AS DEREGULATION DEVASTATE OUR LOCAL TAX BASE WITHOUT ACHIEVING ITS GOAL OF REDUCING THE COST OF ELECTRICITY. THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT HAS CHASED BUSINESSES OUT OF NEW YORK AND OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY TO OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES BECAUSE OF THE TIME IT TAKES FOR A DEVELOPER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND HAVE IT APPROVED. STATE LEGISLATION WHICH APPROVED BINDING ARBITRATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS HAS DRIVEN UP THE COST OF POLICING TO AN UNSUSTAINABLE LEVEL WHERE OUR RESIDENTS NOW HAVE TO CHOOSE FROM EMPLOYING POLICE TO LAYING OFF POLICE OFFICERS. THE 1936 POLICE ACT, WHICH MANDATES THAT AFTER FIVE YEARS AN OFFICER IS AUTOMATICALLY RANKED AS A FIRST GRADE OFFICER AND THEREFORE, THEIR PAY EXCEEDS \$100,000 WITHIN FIVE YEARS, IS IRRESPONSIBLE AND RECKLESS.

IN LISTENING AND READING GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO'S STATE OF THE STATE MESSAGE WE ARE EXTREMELY HOPEFUL THAT REFORM WILL COME TO NEW YORK. BUT REFORM MUST NOT JUST OCCUR IN STATE GOVERNMENT. LEGISLATION IS DRASTICALLY NEEDED THAT WILL RELIEVE THE MOUNTING BURDEN ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. THIS MUST ALSO INCLUDE THE COST OF SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES. WE CANNOT BE THE NUMBER ONE STATE FOR COST PER STUDENT AND BE THE 34TH STATE IN ACADEMIC RANKING. CURRENTLY, IN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, SCHOOL TAXES MAKE UP APPROXIMATELY 70% OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS TAX BILL. THIS CANNOT BE SUSTAINED AND MUST BE CHANGED. WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO BE THE #1 STATE FOR THE COST OF MEDICAID AND RANK 21ST IN RESULTS. NEW YORK STATE SPENDING CANNOT CONTINUE TO GROW AT 6% WHILE THE AVERAGE INCOME OF RESIDENTS GROWS AT 3%. THERE IS NO REASON WHY ROCKLAND COUNTY SHOULD BE RANKED 5TH IN THE NATION FOR PROPERTY TAX. THE ABILITY OF RESIDENTS TO PAY FOR TAXES MUST BE THE PARAMOUNT CONCERN OF ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS TODAY.

AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW WE ARE URGING ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT AND ADVANCE GOVERNOR CUOMO'S VISION AND PLATFORM FOR REFORMING NEW YORK STATE.

IN 2010, THE TOWN BOARD MEMBERS AND I WERE ABLE TO COMPLETE VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS. I WILL LIST A FEW OF THEM:

- 1. HEAT IN PLACEMENT AND MICROPAVING TO THE FOLLOWING ROADS: CINDER, MADISON, ROSMAN, BRISMAN, VALLEY, VALLEY COURT, CHERRY, CHERRY CIRCLE.**
- 2. ROAD RESURFACING TO THE FOLLOWING ROADS OAKRIDGE, WOODLAKE, EASTLAKE, HIGHLAKE, QUAKER, CEDAR, BIRCH, MOHAWK, PALISADES COURT AND SAGAMORE AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 3. THE FOLLOWING ROADS WE WERE ABLE TO INSTALL BELGIAN BLOCK CURBS: OAK, ELM, AND SYCAMORE. THE FOLLOWING ROADS WE HAVE COMMENCED AND WILL COMPLETE IN 2011: TULIP TREE, HAVERVALE, WOODRIDGE AND LOCUST AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 4. INSTALLATION AT THE HAVERSTRAW BOWLINE PARK OF A NEW FISHING DOCK/PIER INTO THE BOWLINE POND AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 5. AT CHEESECOTE MOUNTAIN, WE REPAVED THE ROAD ENTRANCE TO THE SUMMIT AND INSTALLED GUIDE RAILS AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 6. INSTALLATION OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT BOWLINE POINT PARK AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 7. UPGRADE COMPUTERS FOR THE TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 8. UPGRADE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE HAVERSTRAW TOWN HALL OF SIDEWALKS, RESURFACING, DRAINAGE AND HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE CURBS.**
- 9. PURCHASED AND INSTALLED A NEW BAR SCREEN AND GRIT COLLECTION SYSTEM AT THE TOWN'S WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR PURIFICATION OF WATER FOR DISCHARGE OF WHICH 75% WAS AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYER.**
- 10. REFINANCED OUR CURRENT BONDING DEBT BECAUSE OF THE LOW INTEREST RATE WHICH WILL SAVE THE TAXPAYERS \$300,000 FOR THE REMAINING LIFE OF THE BOND.**
- 11. UPGRADE SPRINKLER SYSTEM AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE TO ENSURE THE QUALITY OF FAIRWAYS AND GREENS.**

IN ADDITION TO THESE CAPITAL PROJECTS, I WOULD LIKE TO COMPLIMENT THE WORK OF OUR YOUTH BOARD, DIRECTOR OF THE YOUTH BOARD, LORRAINE AROCENA; CHAIRWOMAN, APRIL COBB; OUR SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB PRESIDENT, JUDY O'SULLIVAN; SENIOR LEADER, MAUREEN CORALLO; OUR PARKS DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR MIKE COTIER; OUR MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT, CAL FOWX; GOLF PRO, MIKE LAUDIEN; DAY CAMP DIRECTOR, HOWARD TIELL; THE NORTH ROCKLAND YOUTH POLICE ACADEMY, CHIEF CHARLES MILLER AND SGT. DAVE KRYGER AND COMMUNITY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD, HENRY GESSNER CHAIRMAN.

OUR YOUTH BOARD ENABLES MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS TO ATTEND CULTURAL AND SPORTING EVENTS WHICH THEY MAY NOT HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY WITHOUT THE TOWN'S ASSISTANCE. SOME OF THE EVENTS WERE MEDIEVAL TIMES, DISNEY ON ICE, BROADWAY THEATRE PLAYS; THE ADAMS FAMILY, IN THE HEIGHTS, LINCOLN CENTER BALLET, AND YANKEE STADIUM.

OUR SENIOR CITIZENS WENT TO WILDWOOD NEW JERSEY, ATLANTIC CITY, THE SANDS CASINO, AND BROADWAY PLAYS JUST TO NAME A FEW EVENTS.

AT BOWLINE POINT PARK WE HAD RECORD NUMBER OF RESIDENTS AND CITIZENS USING OUR FACILITIES. OUR FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS

CELEBRATION WAS OUTSTANDING; THE OPEN AIR CONCERTS WERE A HUGE SUCCESS. THE OLYMPIC POOL, WATER SLIDES, KIDDIE POOL, WATER SPLASH AREA, LAWLESS PAVILION AND GRANT GAZEBO AS WELL AS THE FISHING DOCK AND PIER WERE ALL UTILIZED TO THEIR MAXIMUM EXTENT.

OUR DAY CAMP ATTENDANCE EXCEEDED PREVIOUS YEARS. THE ACTIVITIES BOTH AT THE SCHOOL AND TRIPS RECEIVED RAVING REVIEWS.

EACH YEAR OUR HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL SEEMS TO GROW WITH GREATER ATTENDANCE. OUR TOWN EMPLOYEES HAVE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB OF PROVIDING A WONDERFUL AND SAFE DAY FOR OUR CHILDREN WITH A COSTUME CONTEST, HAUNTED HOUSE, GAMES AND REFRESHMENTS.

THE 7TH ANNUAL NORTH ROCKLAND 3-MILE FUN RUN RAISED MONEY FOR NEEDY FAMILIES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. A TOTAL OF \$9,000 WAS DONATED TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES: THE PLACE, DEPATTO, & McELORY FAMILIES. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK NORTH ROCKLAND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, JOE CASSARELA, MIKE GRECO, JOE BOCHNIK, NOREEN SMITH, TAMMY BITTS AND SUPERVISOR SHERWOOD.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, IS THE SAFETY AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR RESIDENTS. I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE AND THANK OUR MEMBERS OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE DEPARTMENT BEGINNING WITH CHIEF OF POLICE, CHARLES MILLER, HIS ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND THE RANK AND FILE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. THE STATISTICAL DATA THAT WE HAVE COLLECTED DEMONSTRATES THE QUALITY OF WORK AND DEDICATION OF OUR OFFICERS. WE CURRENTLY HAVE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE RC NARCOTICS TASK FORCE, RC INTELLIGENCE UNIT, THE RC REACT UNIT, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (NR HIGH SCHOOL, 8TH & 9TH GRADE CENTER) AND DARE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE THREE MIDDLE SCHOOLS. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE A YOUTH OFFICER AS WELL AS A STREET CRIME UNIT AND DETECTIVE SQUAD THAT COMPLIMENTS OUR PATROL. THE CONCENTRATION OF CRIME HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE LOCATED IN CERTAIN AREAS IN THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW. HOWEVER, OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE RC DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THOMAS ZUGIBE, AND THE RC SHERIFF, JIM KRALIK; AND THE RC CHIEF OF PATROL, LOU FALCO AND WITH THE CONTINUED COORDINATED EFFORT WITH THE NY STATE POLICE WE HAVE MADE SUCCESSFUL INROADS IN REDUCING MANY TYPES OF CRIME IN THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW AND WE HAVE TAKEN BACK THE STREETS AND NEIGHBORHOODS FROM THE UNDESIRABLE ELEMENTS. THIS WILL CONTINUE TO BE A WORK IN PROGRESS. ALL DUE VIGILANCE MUST CONTINUE IN ORDER TO REMAIN SUCCESSFUL ESPECIALLY IN THESE SEVERE ECONOMIC TIMES. THE PROGRESSIVE INITIATIVES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THOMAS ZUGIBE HAVE PRODUCED IMMEDIATE RESULTS. THE COMMUNITY PROSECUTION PARTNERS ASSISTANT DAs WITH POLICE OFFICERS AND THE COMMUNITY. THE DMI (DRUG MARKET INTERVENTION) INITIATIVE IS WHERE THE COMMUNITY BECOMES DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH THOSE WHO ARE BREAKING THE LAW WITHIN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS. THE LOCAL COMMUNITY WORKING WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT BECOMES PART OF THE SOLUTION.

I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW ASSESSOR, DAVID ADAMS FOR HIS EXPERT ANALYSIS IN HIS ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE ASSESSMENT ROLL WHICH HAS LED TO A REDUCTION OF SCHOOL TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW RESIDENT PROPERTY OWNER. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR ASSESSMENT CONSULTANT, LARRY FARBSTEIN, WHOSE ADVICE AND KNOWLEDGE HAS BEEN INDISPENSABLE. I MUST ALSO RECOGNIZE THE WORK OF OUR BUILDING INSPECTOR, GENE BARNUM AND ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR, FRED VIOHL FOR THEIR COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION IN ENSURING THAT OUR ZONING CODE IS

ENFORCED AND COMPLIED. IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL THAT WE MAINTAIN OUR ZONING CODE.

WE HAVE RECEIVED EXCELLENT LEGAL COUNSEL FROM OUR TOWN ATTORNEY WILLIAM STEIN AND OUR PLANNING CONSULTING ATTORNEY STEVE SILVERBERG. THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL HAS PREVAILED IN COURT AND PROTECTED THE TAXPAYERS OF HAVERSTRAW. AS THE TOWN BOARD MEMBERS AND I PROMISED WE HAVE CONTINUED TO COMMUNICATE WITH OUR VILLAGE MAYORS, MAYOR JOHN RAMUNDO, WEST HAVERSTRAW, MIKE KOHUT, VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW AND NICK SANDERSON, VILLAGE OF POMONA. WE HAVE KEPT ONE ANOTHER ABREAST OF CONCERNS AND PROBLEMS OF OUR RESIDENTS SO WE CAN BETTER ADDRESS AND CORRECT THEM IN A SWIFT MANNER.

OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS HAVE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB OF SERVING THE PUBLIC. THE TOWN CLERK, JOSEPHINE CARELLA; RECEIVER OF TAXES, ANN McGOVERN; SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS, FRANK BROOKS; TOWN JUSTICE PETER BRANTI AND TOWN JUSTICE JOHN GRANT. ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE TOWN BOARD, I EXPRESS OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION.

IN 2011, WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW YORK SPORTS CLUB AT THE ROUTE 202 SHOPPING CENTER. WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THE PROPOSED SHOPPING CENTER IN POMONA WILL RECEIVE FINAL APPROVAL FOR THEIR SITE TO COMMENCE. THIS WILL INCLUDE MAJOR RETAIL STORES.

WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH UNITED WATER ON THEIR PROPOSED DESALINATION PLANT, WHEN APPROVED COULD MEAN OVER A \$100,000,000.00 RATABLE FOR THE TOWN ASSESSMENT ROLL. WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT THE PILOT PROGRAM HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE DEC AND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE DATA THAT WILL BE COLLECTED OVER THE YEAR TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE STATE AND REVIEWED BY THE PUBLIC.

WE PLAN TO CONTINUE WITH OUR ROAD MAINTENANCE AND BELGIAN BLOCK IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR LOCAL ROADS. WE HAVE SET UP A CAPITAL PROJECT THAT WILL INCLUDE INSTALLING A LIGHTING PLAN AT BOWLINE POINT PARK. WE HAVE SECURED A GRANT FOR THIS PROJECT. OUR INTENT IS TO ADD LIGHTING FIXTURES TO THE PARKING LOT AND LIGHTING ALONG THE PERIMETER OF THE WALKING PATH. ANOTHER PROJECT WILL BE ADDITIONAL PAVING TO THE PATH AROUND CHEESECOTE MOUNTAIN FOR YOUR WALKING AND JOGGING PLEASURE.

I HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY THE NYS DOT THAT BOTH BRIDGES I.E., PALISADES BRIDGE OVER ROUTE 202 AND THE BRIDGE FROM SHORT CLOVE ROAD ON RTE. 9W WILL BE COMPLETED IN THE SPRING OR EARLY SUMMER OF THIS YEAR. WE WILL CONTINUE TO PETITION THE STATE FOR GREATER REPAIRS TO ROUTES 202 AND 9W.

SINCE THE INCEPTION OF DEREGULATION WE HAVE HAD AN ONGOING BATTLE WITH THE OWNERS OF THE BOWLINE POWER PLANT, MIRANT NY. IN 2009, THEY FILED FOR A 94% REDUCTION OF THEIR ASSESSMENT AND IN 2010 THEY FILED FOR A 97% REDUCTION IN THEIR ASSESSMENT. ALTHOUGH OUR TOWN ASSESSOR HAS REDUCED THE VALUE BY 50% THEY CONTINUE TO DISPUTE THE ASSESSED VALUATION OF THEIR PLANTS. THE TOWN BOARD AND I WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT ANY FURTHER REDUCTION UNTIL EVIDENCE CAN BE PRODUCED TO JUSTIFY ANY FURTHER REDUCTION OF THE VALUE.

FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS WE HAVE ASKED EACH DEPARTMENT TO DO MORE WITH LESS. WE HAVE MANAGED TO KEEP THE BUDGET AFFORDABLE. THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HAS THE LOWEST TOWN TAX AND THE LOWEST SEWER TAX IN ROCKLAND COUNTY. THE NYS COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE RECENTLY PERFORMED A RISK ASSESSMENT OF EACH DEPARTMENT REVIEWING INTERNAL CONTROLS, PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT POLICIES. BASED UPON THE CHIEF EXAMINER'S FINDINGS THERE WAS NO NEED TO RECOMMEND ANY IMPROVEMENTS. IN ADDITION, THE NYS COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE PERFORMED AN AUDIT OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW JUSTICE COURT. THE REVIEW OF THIS AUDIT DETERMINED THAT THE JUSTICE COURT WAS OPERATING IN ALL PROPER PROCEDURES. I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE AND COMPLIMENT OUR DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, MICHAEL GAMBOLI; PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT CLERK, CARMELA PANTANO; ACCOUNT CLERK KARA FREEMAN AND JUSTICE COURT CLERK, CLAUDIA OSSMAN.

THE TOWN BOARD MEMBERS AND I HAVE CONSTANTLY STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. TO THAT END, WE ARE THANKFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE REPRESENTING HAVERSTRAW TWO GENTLEMEN WHO CONSTANTLY KEEP THE TOWN INFORMED AND UP TO DATE IN COUNTY MATTERS, WHETHER IT BE LEGISLATION, CAPITAL PROJECTS OR PROGRAMS. LEGISLATOR MICHAEL GRANT AND LEGISLATOR JAY HOOD HAVE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB AS COUNTY LEGISLATORS. IN ADDITION, OUR COUNTY CLERK PAUL PIPERATO CONTINUES TO FACILITATE ANY PROBLEMS OR CONCERNS WITH THE GREATEST EXPEDIENCY THROUGH HIS OFFICE.

THE PEOPLE OF HAVERSTRAW HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY FORTUNATE TO HAVE EXEMPLARY REPRESENTATION IN THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY. OUR ASSEMBLYMAN, KENNETH ZEBROWSKI CONTINUES TO WORK TIRELESSLY FOR THE PEOPLE OF HAVERSTRAW. HE HAS PROVEN TO BE INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING BACK YOUR TAX DOLLARS TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO OUR NEW STATE SENATOR, DAVID CARLUCCI AND THE ENERGY THAT HE BRINGS WITH HIM TO ALBANY. SPECIAL THANKS AND OUR EVERLASTING GRATITUDE TO THE LATE SENATOR THOMAS MORAHAN AND HIS FAMILY FOR THE SUPERB JOB IN REPRESENTING EVERY RESIDENT REGARDLESS OF THEIR PARTY AFFILIATION.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THE TOWN BOARD MEMBERS: DEPUTY SUPERVISOR ISIDRO "PAPO" CANCEL; VINCENT GAMBOLI; JOHN GOULD AND HECTOR SOTO FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF HAVERSTRAW. THEY CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR YOUR CONCERNS AND TO ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE A VOICE IN LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

LASTLY, I WOULD ASK THAT ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS TO REMEMBER IN THEIR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR ARMED FORCES WHO PUT THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE EVERY DAY TO ENSURE THE FREEDOM THAT WE ENJOY AND SO OFTEN TAKE FOR GRANTED. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS AMERICA AND MAY HIS LIGHT SHINE UPON US. MAY ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR. THANK YOU.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

57-11 ADJOURNMENT
MOTION BY GOULD
SECONDED BY GAMBOLI

RESOLVED, THAT THE RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2011, OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BE AND IT IS HEREBY ADJOURNED.

RAQUEL VENTURA
FIRST DEPUTY