TOWN BOARD GARNERVILLE, NY APRIL 13, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw held a Regular Meeting via telephone conference call on Monday, April 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York in accordance with Executive Order 202.1.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman Isidro Cancel
Councilman Vincent J. Gamboli
Councilman John J. Gould
Councilman Johnny Ortiz

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

171-20 ADOPTION OF MINUTES - TOWN BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 23, 2020 as submitted by the Town Clerk and on motion by Councilman Cancel, seconded by Councilman Gamboli were unanimously adopted.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

172-20 RESOLVED, that bills numbered 910 through 1056 in the amount of \$887,410.47 and Highway bills numbered 125 through 144 in the amount of \$28,357.53 audited at this meeting, be and they are hereby paid.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

173-20 RESOLVED, that the Highway Department operation report for the month of March 2020 has been submitted and is hereby accepted.

AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO TRANSFER FUNDS

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

174-20 RESOLVED, THAT THE SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, MICHAEL J. GAMBOLI, TO TRANSFER \$250,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE TO THE RESERVE FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

PURCHASE OF ONE (1) IDEMIA NEW YORK LIVESCAN SYSTEM OGS – NY- D-LS500PPI, DATA MIGRATION AND LICENSE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE HAVERSTRAW POLICE DEPARTMENT

Councilman Gould offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

175-20 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO PURCHASE ONE (1) IDEMIA NEW YORK LIVESCAN SYSTEM OGS – NY- D- LS500PPI, DATA MIGRATION AND LICENSE SUBSCRIPTION THROUGH NYS BID-OGS-68809 FOR THE HAVERSTRAW POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL OF \$22,100.00. A GRANT HAS BEEN AWARDED TO THE TOWN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00 FOR A NET COST OF \$12,100.00.

<u>AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE TAX CERTIORARI – HARBOR CLUB</u> <u>CONDOMINIUM</u>

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

176-20 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CHARLES ZABA, TOWN ASSESSOR THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SETTLEMENT FOR HARBOR CLUB CONDOMINIUM (LOT (27.18-1-1.5), LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW FOR TAX YEARS 2018 AND 2019 BASED UPON THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS ON THIS LOCATION:

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	ORIGINAL	REVISED	N	EST	
YEAR	ASSESSMENT	ASSESSMENT	AMOUNT	REFUND	
2018	22,412,385	19,838,514	2,573,871	\$15,914.	
2019	22,412,385	19,704,446	2,707,939	\$16,875.	

TOTAL \$32,789.

PER UNIT \$348 REFUND PER HOMEOWNER PER YEAR \$174.

<u>AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE TAX CERTIORARI – VILLAGE MILL</u> <u>CONDOMINIUM</u>

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gould and on roll call unanimously adopted.

177-20 RESOLVED, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF CHARLES ZABA, TOWN ASSESSOR AND WILLIAM M. STEIN, TOWN ATTORNEY, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SETTLEMENT FOR VILLAGE MILL CONDOMINIUM (LOT (26.43-2-8.), LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW FOR TAX YEARS 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 AND 2019 BASED UPON THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS ON THIS LOCATION:

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	ORIGINAL	REVISED	N	EST
YEAR	ASSESSMENT	ASSESSMENT	AMOUNT	REFUND
2015	9,245,800	7,211,724	2,034,076	\$11,120.
2016	9,166,300	7,149,714	2,016,586	\$10,990.
2017	9,166,300	7,149,714	2,016,586	\$11,740.
2018	9,166,300	7,149,714	2,016,586	\$12,468.
2019	9,166,300	6,874,725	2,291575	\$14,281.

TOTAL \$60,599.

REFUND PER UNIT \$1,211. REFUND PER HOMEOWNER PER YEAR \$242.

<u>SUPPLEMENTAL WORK TO THE EMERGENCY/MITIGATION WORK</u> <u>AUTHORIZATION - COLD FOGGING AND SANITIZING</u>

Councilman Cancel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Gamboli and on roll call unanimously adopted.

178-20 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DIRECT RESPONSE OF THE TRI-STATE AREA, LLC OF MONROE, NEW YORK FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERFORMING SUPPLEMENTAL WORK TO THE EMERGENCY/MITIGATION SERVICES WHICH INCLUDE COLD FOGGING AND SANITIZING OF SEVENTY-FIVE (75) GOLF CARTS FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE AND THE BAY AREAS FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, PARK AND GOLF MAINTENANCE BUILDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL COST OF \$1,875.00.

ACCEPTANCE OF AUDIT REPORT- TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW JUSTICE COURT

Councilman Gamboli offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Cancel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

179-20 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY ACCEPT THE AUDIT REPORT FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW JUSTICE COURT FROM BERARD & ASSOCIATES CPA'S P.C. OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several residents asked Supervisor what the Town is doing to help the residents during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

<u>Supervisor Phillips</u> stated that the Town of Haverstraw would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to our first responders, the Town of Haverstraw Police Department, the Haverstraw Ambulance Corps, and the Rockland Mobile Paramedics. We have been working with them to make sure they have the proper protective gear, which includes gloves, masks, and gowns. They have been doing a phenomenal job during this pandemic.

We have been posting on Facebook to keep everyone informed. The Hispanic Community has been deeply affected by Covid-19 Pandemic in our Town. Councilman Papo Cancel, Councilman Johnny Ortiz and I were recently on two live Facebook videos geared towards the Hispanic community with essential information to assist during these difficult times. We have received positive feedback from our residents. Assemblyman Ken Zebrowski, the Town Board and I have distributed flyers in English and Spanish with important information. There is also a banner on the Town's website with COVID-19 information in English and Spanish.

We have been on daily conference calls with the Governor's staff and they have been updating us as to any precautions, any new Governor's orders that might affect us, such as reduction of staff and closing of non-essential businesses. The five Town Supervisors of Rockland County have been on daily calls as well, working together and helping one another with supplies. We have kept our Highway Department, Parks Department, and our waste water treatment plant working efficiently. We have sanitized all the Municipal Buildings, the Police station and police cars.

We have been speaking to Senator Skoufis and Assemblyman Zebrowski to set up a field testing site in the Village of Haverstraw. They are working on that.

I have also been on the Radio with WRCR every Thursday morning at 8 am to inform the public of what we have been doing. We also started a campaign to support local business, primarily restaurants that are still open by ordering takeout and advertising on Facebook what restaurants and businesses are still open in the Town of Haverstraw.

Meals on Wheels is available to assist with food. It is supported by the County and you can reach out to them and request assistance.

<u>Councilman Papo Cancel</u> stated that the St. Mary and St. Peter's food pantry is providing food for those who need it. The food pantry will be open tomorrow Tuesday at 10:30 am and also Saturday from 9 am to 11 am. Please call the church rectory at 429-2196 for more information. Catholic Charities is also providing food for those in need. Please call them at 942-5791.

A resident stated that she is unable to pay the rent due to losing her job. She also stated that the landlord is requesting the rent. She asked what she can do about this situation.

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<u>Supervisor Phillips</u> stated that starting on March 20th, New York State has suspended all evictions of residential property for 90 days. Supervisor Phillips emphasized that rent is still owed, but this will provide some relief for those who are not able to pay on time due to financial hardship as a result of losing their job.

Please call Town Hall at 845-429-2200 and we can provide more information to help during these difficult times.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. stated that he would like to close tonight's meeting in memory of Ana Mercedes Hilario, Elizabeth Ann Zellner, Martin Bornstein, Juan Antonio Estrella, Leo J. Carrotti, Marie P. Iamonico, Ronald Olori Sr., Luis Leon, Karen Annette Harris, Ellen T. Horan, Kathryn Patricia Quattrocchi, Domingo Diaz, Rhadames Lopez, Janissa de la Cruz, Eugene Cyril Kerr, Guy Smith, Justa Polanco, Maria Dutan Pastuizaca, Joseph P. (Joe) McCullagh, Patricia "Pat" Ann McEntee, Rafael Ramos, Elmo Alleyne, Josephine L. Dragotta, Mary c. Houlihan and Jose A. Robles Sr. who recently passed away. A motion was made by Councilman Gould, seconded by Councilman Ortiz and unanimously adopted and the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

RAQUEL VENTURA TOWN CLERK