

Board Meeting

November 26, 2007

The Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees met in the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York on November 26, 2007.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pontieri with Trustees Crean, Dean, Devlin, Hilton, Krieger, McGiff, Treasurer Krawczyk and Village Clerk Seal present. Village Attorney Snead was not present.

The flag salute was led by Boy Scout Troop 270.

Mayor Pontieri read the safety message

Upon a motion made by Trustee Krieger, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of November 13, 2007 with one change on page 3.

Upon a motion made by Crean, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried with Trustee Devlin abstaining, the Board approved the minutes of Special Meeting held on November 15, 2007 regarding eminent domain hearing, noting Trustee Devlin's absence.

Treasurer Krawczyk stated: The five largest bills are NYS Retirement System annual employer contribution \$284,918.00, NYS Employees Health monthly billing \$79,733.57, Town of Brookhaven Landfill charges \$46,526.80, Total Computer for computer servers \$37,270.50, and H2M for engineering fees \$30,813.05.

General Fund	\$566,352.46
Trust & Agency Fund	\$23,208.59
Capital Projects	\$79,473.27
Sewer Fund	\$71,182.75
BID Fund	\$6,256.36
Housing/Code Fund	\$905.56
Community Development Fund	\$6,046.26
General Bills	\$8,533.12
Total	\$761,958.37

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hilton, seconded by Trustee Dean, and unanimously carried, the board approved the bills as presented.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Crean, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the board approved request for a series of budget transfers being done merely to clean up accounts as follows:

From:001-1010-0465 Trustee:Conferences	\$ 1,000.00
To: 001-1210-0465 Mayor:Conferences	\$ 1,000.00
From:001-1640-0101 Garage:O/T	\$ 800.00
To: 001-1640-0102 Garage:D/T	\$ 800.00
From:001-3320-0414 On St Park:Mater/Supp	\$ 50.00
To: 001-3320-0101 On St Park:O/T	\$ 50.00
From:001-3620-0450 Bldg:Miscell	\$ 700.00
To: 001-3620-0465 Bldg:Conferences	\$ 700.00
From:001-3620-0415 Bldg:N/E Services	\$ 1,500.00
To: 001-3620-0465 Bldg:Conferences	\$ 1,500.00
From:001-3622-0421 Code:Gas/Oil	\$ 2,500.00

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To: 001-3622-0419 Code:Maint Equip	\$ 2,500.00
From:001-3622-0440 Code:Radios	\$ 350.00
To: 001-3622-0447 Code:Training	\$ 350.00
From:001-1990-0500 Contingent Account	\$ 4,300.00
To: 001-5142-0200 Snow:Equipment	\$ 1,600.00
To: 001-5142-0450 Snow:Miscellaneous	\$ 200.00
To: 001-7110-0101 Parks:O/T	\$ 2,500.00
From:001-7270-0100 Concert:Salaries	\$ 500.00
To: 001-7110-0102 Parks:D/T	\$ 500.00
From:001-7110-0200 Parks:Equipment	\$ 150.00
To: 001-7110-0417 Parks:Uniforms	\$ 150.00
From:001-7180-0419 Pool:Maint Equipment	\$ 750.00
To: 001-7180-0417 Pool:Uniforms	\$ 750.00
From:001-7230-0411 Dock:Telephone	\$ 25.00
To: 001-7230-0417 Dock:Uniforms	\$ 25.00
From:001-7270-0418 Concert:Publications	\$ 25.00
To: 001-7270-0450 Concert:Miscellaneous	\$ 25.00
From:001-8160-0452 Sanitation:Landfill	\$ 2,500.00
To: 001-8160-0200 Sanitation:Equipment	\$ 2,500.00

Treasurer Krawczyk stated: At the December 10th meeting the manager from our auditing firm will present a report on our annual financial.

Public Hearing:

Village Clerk Seal read: Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Patchogue to consider creating a Local Law for the installation of “Parking by Permit Only” signs on the east and west side of North Summit Avenue from Main Street to Park Street and on the east and west side of South Summit Avenue from Main Street 500 feet south of that intersection. At said Public Hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Trustee Dean stated: This is public hearing to change a Local Law is the result of National Roofing Moving into the old Fina Dancewear property on the corner of Main and South Summit. There is a business next door to it called Fadeley’s Deli Pub whose patrons used to use the Fina parking lot for many years. The owner of National Roofing has restricted parking in that lot, so the patrons of Fadeley’s have been parking down on South and North Summit and creating a nuisance in the neighborhood. What we are looking to do is to try and restrict the parking in that area and drive them up to Main Street where there is a lot of nice parking spots that can be used. I would like to see possibly one change to this, if we could have the permit parking zone begin south of the commercial property on South Summit and extend to the residential zone and the same thing on the north side. It would start at the corner of Mike’s property—head south—“permit parking only” there. And then north of that site, along the side where the property owner owns, I guess to 25 feet which is DOT regs of the intersection. Either have unrestricted parking or maybe permanent parking from maybe 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and possibly see the same thing on the other side. The business owner should have a right to make a living and it is his property so he should be able to have his patrons park along side. I did speak to Mr. Howard, the proprietor of Fadeley’s Deli Pub, and he is in complete agreement with this proposal. He understands National Roofing’s position not wanting bar patrons on his property. Mr. Howard is a resident who lives on Maple Avenue and he desires to be a good neighbor and is in full support of the permit parking on South Summit, but he would like to see some unrestricted parking along his

property. People who actually live there would receive permits and could receive temporary cards for guests.

Public to be Heard:

Michael Iella, South Summit Avenue, stated: I am getting tired of it. There are people sleeping in cars, some staying there for two or three days. There was a car parked there one day shy of a month and I thought it was stolen. They said if it has license plates, it can stay there. I thought the Village had an ordinance that you couldn't park on the streets any longer than 12 hours. You have people sleeping in cars at night, you got loud music, you got to go out and clean up the bottles, cans, napkins, condoms, rubber gloves, and it getting to the point where it is a little noisy. When I added onto my building, the Village wanted me to put in 36 stalls for a customer to park that comes in for 10-15 minutes in my shop. Here's a man that has cars parking there 2-3 hours, overnight, the next day. There was a car parked there from Thursday until this morning on the street up by the corner. Somebody took the sign from here to the corner and I asked the Highway Department to put back the sign and they took care of that. We have a problem occasionally with motorcycles. They just park from the building down to the gutter and you can't see getting out of that street. The other side is they are blocking the sidewalks with their motorcycles occasionally.

Mayor Pontieri stated: What we can do is manage the part that we can manage, which is the parking situation, as best we can. The business is not going to go away so we need to manage those that park illegally and those that cause the disturbances that you talk of and those issues that infringe on your quality of life as best we can.

Mr. Iella stated: There are two boarding houses just the south of me and they have loads of cars there, run parties, block the street—one has 6 or 8 tenants who bring their cars and park them out in the street the wrong way, house #5 and #7. They are destroying the neighborhood up there and the people are getting disgusted with it. I put up with it a long time. One day they started music at 1:15 p.m. and didn't stop until early morning hours—my building was shaking. They put a fence up around the back; they only have space for two cars in the back because he took up the rest of the space with the fence and another open air room—2 o'clock in the morning they are there burning a bar-b-que. The business of cleaning up the garbage on the street is not right; we have the sweeper down here maybe 4 times in a year. When Belzak or Ashline was there we used to get swept at least once a month. How long does it take to run a sweeper? You can do the whole Village in a week—that's every street in the Village.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Once it begins to affect your quality of life or the health and safety of the residents, then we have to do what we have to do.

Rich Skelaney, 58 S. Summit Avenue stated: I am here to backup Michael's statements. The parking situation is very serious. It is out of control. I am glad the signs went back up so there is no parking to the corners anymore because it was impossible to see around the bends. The situation right now is they park all the way up the block. 10 o'clock doesn't even start the flow. We are talking maybe 1 or 2 a.m. the flow is all the way up the hill. Michael didn't mention the fact that they urinate on his bushes and defecate on his doorsteps. This is totally ridiculous. We find drug paraphernalia on his property. They put their bottles in the gutters all the way up and down the block. For the school children to see all of this stuff in the morning is not a good thing. I appreciate the Board and what you are trying to do and hope it arrests the problem that it has on that block and also North Summit because I am sure they have taken the same hit.

Kevin Scribner, 10 South Summit, stated: I have been there for twenty years and this is the worst year that I have ever had there. What Mike has said is so true. They leave bottles on my yard almost every night. You said the man wants to be a good neighbor, but I have never

seen him go out and pick up anything ever. There is broken glass 2-3 times a week on the sidewalk. Thanksgiving morning we woke up to a guy sleeping in his van and took a picture of him—he was there, passed out, until 11:30 right in front of my house. Every night they park right up to both sides of my driveway and on the other side. I can barely get out. When I moved in, that was not the same type of business. That was really a deli and a pub, now it's a full fledged bar. There is no food—just drinking. Wednesday and Thursday night is band night. You have records of how many times I've called after 11 o'clock because I can't sleep.

Fred Earhardt, 17 South Summit Avenue, stated: I pick up busted glass in front of my house; there are cars parked all night long and sometimes the next morning in front of my house. I can't see why taxpayers have to provide a parking lot for that business on the corner. Why don't he rent that lot across the street from Mike Capozzi? We went through this same thing 15 years ago. The first thing that they did was pull those parking signs out.

Trustee Krieger stated: I think that when see cars to parked there, you should not wait for Code to come, but should put a call in and let them know that they are there so that they will come down.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the Board approved creating a Local Law requiring permit parking on North and South Summit Streets. On South Summit it would be south of the commercial business property and the same on North Summit north of the commercial business district. And "permit parking only" in both directions to Park Street on the north side and Hill on the south side, including Barnes Street. "No Parking" 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. in the commercial district.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Basically, we are going to be putting resident parking only from the area just south of the commercial district, starting all the way down Hill Street plus Barnes. The same thing on North Summit, "no parking/resident only" in the area that is commercial on North and South Summit and there will be no parking from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. Therefore, if somebody is thinking about moving there car up and sleeping there, we have the ability to roust them out of there. Once this is through, we will have the signs up in about 7 days. Trustee Dean, will you have a discussion with him about the music?

Village Clerk read: Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Monday, October 22, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Patchogue to discuss creating a Local Law regarding the installation of a stop sign on Bay Avenue at the intersection of Terrel Street and Bay Avenue. At said public hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard. This is a continuation. There was no decision at the last hearing.

Trustee Dean stated: Trustee Crean and I have been following this very closely since the end of school last year. It has arisen because of a problem with the arrivals at the Bay Elementary School--how the children are discharged from cars. The children are being discharged on both sides of the street, not in any clearly designated area. And it is creating a hazard with them crossing the street, getting to the west side of the road, and not crossing in the designated crossing zone with the school crossing guard, and there is a potential for a pedestrian/vehicle accident. The thought was a stop sign may help that if we were able to stop the traffic heading south on Bay Avenue. Trustee Crean and myself have met with the principal and he has taken some measures to increase the safety. However, for complete resolution this may require more than a stop sign.

Trustee Crean stated: There are a number of issues that need to be addressed with regard to Bay Avenue itself—signage, road striping, curbs, sidewalks. These are all things that we would need to work in conjunction with the Town of Brookhaven to make this really a safe walkway for the students. A stop sign I don't think is going to provide a solution at all. It is

not the speed of the traffic; that is not really the problem. Its cars parking or waiting for their children, either to drop them off or pick them up. One of the suggestions that came out of our meeting with Dr. Nicolino is to extend the yellow curbing along the west side of Bay Avenue for perhaps the entire Bay Avenue Elementary School property line. I spoke with the Town of Brookhaven Supervisor's office today and I would like to work with the Town of Brookhaven for a better solution than just a stop sign. The road needs to be repaved, there needs to be a center line striped, sidewalks installed and signage needs to be relocated.

Trustee Dean stated: I would like to see the whole intersection at Terrel Street, the whole width of the road striped off as a crosswalk, box that out completely so that there is no opportunity for cars to park in there.

Trustee Crean stated: We spoke to the crossing guard as well and she informed us that the Town of Brookhaven's board has looked at this intersection in considering placing a stop sign and they viewed it also as not a solution to solve the problem. I think everybody is in agreement that something needs to happen; it is just getting it done. I think we need to work with Councilman Mazzei and Supervisor Foley to make sure it gets done soon.

Mayor Pontieri stated: I would like to eventually do what we did at River Avenue with the speed bumps, rumble strips, new signage.

Trustee Crean stated: Some of the signage is not only outdated and somewhat confusing, but in some instances are placed in the wrong location. There are signs hidden within the shade of a tree and can't be seen driving down the road and needs to be relocated--notify driver's that there is a school on the road.

Trustee Dean stated: There are also two different speed limits on either side of the road. It's 15 on our side and 20 on the Town side. The parking on the Town side is in worse shape than ours—it doesn't make good 15 minute zones. What we really should do is work with the Town and have all of the students discharged on the west side of the road and not have any students except walkers crossing Bay Avenue. We talked with Dr. Nicolino of perhaps having the parents discharge their children behind the building, off the street altogether in the back parking lot, but the nearest available spot is about 100 feet from the back door. On rainy weather days no parent is going to want to drop their child off unattended 100 feet from the back of the school. What I think it probably was, the buses dropped kids off in the front and the parents left the kids off in the back years ago, and they reversed that—buses discharge in the back now. We could talk to Dr. Nicolino; we have greater control over the bus drivers and where and how they park. We can create a zone where just the buses discharge and then drive those parents into the back entirely.

Mayor Pontieri stated: One of the issues with Bay Avenue is that they have 600-700 kids and only four buses. They have more walkers than any other building in the district because of the density and the number of homes in the area.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried the board closed the public hearing with no action taken.

Mayor Pontieri stated: We have a request for approval for a resolution in support of a grant application to the Department of State for an interpretive signage grant.

Marion Russo, Executive Director, Community Development Agency and Jeff Fullmer, 277 West Ave. and L. I. South Shore Estuary Reserve.

Ms. Russo stated we have before the board a request to pass a resolution giving the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor authority to sign any documents related to a grant application that we were encouraged to put in by the Dept. of State. I went on behalf of the Village to attend

training in Albany for the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program. When I was there at the training, Nancy Wrucks who is a Project Manager for the Dept. of State encouraged me on behalf of the Village to put in an application for NYS Coastal Resources Interpretive Program which is basically wayside signage, interpretive signs. She recommended that they be done along the river and Shorefront Park. Jack has also recommended that we also include the Halycon Manor because what we can do—this grant also requires a 50% match—the purchase of the Halycon Manor could actually act as our match. What we are going to try and do is use our in kind and any purchases. We could also possibly use contributions from Fatfish Marina for their improvements at the end of Mulford Street also. The idea is to partner with the Fire Island National Seashore. I have met with Sean McGuinness and Paula Valentine from FINS so that they could get funding for signage on their property. I called Tim Mazzei and spoke to Anthony Graves who works in the Environmental Protection Department of the Town of Brookhaven so that we may be able to put signage in the Sandspit, or they could put signage. I spoke with Trustee Hilton of Parks & Recreation about putting signage at Mascot Dock, Shorefront Park and up around Halycon Manor. The resolution is in support of that. Jeff was very interested in this program and we will be working with the South Shore Estuary as well.

Jeff Fullmer stated: I think you are all familiar with the kiosk that is now installed at the head of the river at the National Seashore property. That particular project is one Trustee Dean spent quite a bit of time working on that and doing a very good job. Originally it was intended to be sort of the beginning of a passageway from the beginning of the river there all the way down to the Sandspit. The idea of doing interpretive signage, if you look at that particular kiosk, the subjects that are on there are from a thematic perspective—the history of the river, the history of the maritime center, it touches on just a few of the issues. And the idea would be to do what is called low profile wayside panels, not kiosks, which could be placed in various locations utilizing the partnership potentially between the Village, the Fire Island National Seashore and the Town of Brookhaven. Those three entities control access points along the river and down by Shorefront Park and Halycon Manor. So that you could tell the story about the Patchogue river and the Patchogue Shorefront going from the head of the river, the navigable part, going all the way down and then down to Shorefront Park. This would be an opportunity to bring in some key partners. We are interested from a South Shore Estuary perspective in doing this in such a way that the interpretive theme is logical so putting the partners together to work together as to who would do what for example. The Village obviously has potential access points at street ends, along West Ave., Mulford and Laurel. The Town of Brookhaven at Sandspit—various locations there. Fire Island Seashore at their headquarters building. There could actually be something joint between FINS and the Village at the end of Laurel Street. I am throwing these out as ideas. I think that applying from the State perspective it would be good to vet all that through Marion and put all that out as potential ideas. The Patchogue Maritime Center has been recognized by the Reserve Counsel as the South Shore Estuary Bay Way Destination which includes the entire river and maritime district and the shore. One of the major guiding principles of the Bay Way once it has been recognized is to encourage and develop interpretive programs. This would be a great way for the Village of Patchogue to work with the Fire Island National Seashore and the Town of Brookhaven to have a comprehensive interpretive story for this entire area. From the perspective of a resident of the Village, which I am, I think it would be a great way for people to explore the whole river as a river walk or some sort of a scenario where people got from one point of the river to another point down to the Bay. This would be an opportunity to express its interest that is required by NYS for applying for environmental protection funds for these kinds of projects and I would encourage you to seriously entertain it.

Marion Russo stated: The FINS has indicated that if we were to put one of these signs at the end of Argyle Lane that they would enter into a memorandum of understanding to maintain that and I have spoken with John Lund of DPW to see if they could assist us with the

installation. When I spoke to Tim Mazzei they asked for a copy of the resolution and that they would do a resolution in support of this.

Trustee Devlin asked: Where would you get the subject matter, the verbiage; who writes what is on these signs?

Mr. Fullmer stated there are a couple of ways you can go. The subject matter for the local themes comes from the local communities. So I am anticipating it would come from the Village, FINS and the Town. However, the putting together of the text, designing the way that looks, we have kind of learned from experience—and actually Patchogue was a key earlier experience on how this works. There is the possibility and potential of ultimately hiring an interpretive writer and a designer team that would work with the partners, representatives of the Village, FINS and the Town, to take all the raw material, design it, and do the text. The South Shore Bay Way Recognition for the Patchogue River Maritime Center actually identifies broad themes. It is really just refining those themes to the pleasure of what the partners want.

Trustee Devlin asked: When they talk about the Patchogue River Maritime Center in the context of the Bay Way, are they referring to that original plan that incorporated a building which would be a Fire Island Visitors Center? Or, is it just referring to the general location of our river?

Mr. Fullmer stated: It is really toward the general location of the river. The visitors' center would be something that the FINS would probably be promoting as part of it. It is a collection of a lot of different things, but put in context.

Village Clerk Seal read: Requesting a resolution authorizing Paul V. Pontieri, Jr., Mayor, or Stephen McGiff, Deputy Mayor, to act on behalf of the Village of Patchogue in all matters pertaining to Environmental Protection Fund Assistance for a project for Interpreting Waterfront Resources as part of the New York State Coastal Resources Interpretive Program.

Whereas, the Village of Patchogue, after due consideration has determined that an interpretive program would be a benefit to its residents and visitors as described in the application and attachments of the grant application to be submitted to the State of New York Department of State, herein called the "Project"; and

Whereas, the application for State assistance under the Environmental Protection Fund requires a resolution designating a representative to act on behalf of the Village of Patchogue in all matters related to this request for financial assistance.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Village Board of the Village of Patchogue that the Mayor, or Deputy Mayor, is the representative authorized to act on behalf of the Village in all matters relating to State assistance under the New York State Environmental Protection Fund. The Mayor or Deputy Mayor is also authorized to make application, execute the necessary contract and any required memorandums of understanding, submit project documentation and otherwise act for the Village's governing body in all matters related to the Project and to State assistance, and be it further

Resolved that the Village of Patchogue is authorized to fund its portion of the cost of the Project as described in the application in an amount not to exceed the value of \$60,000.00, and that the funds and/or in-kind match will be available to undertake the Project, and this application was approved by a roll call vote, as follows: Deputy Mayor McGiff, aye; Trustee Dean, aye; Trustee Devlin, aye; Trustee Hilton aye; Trustee Crean, aye; Trustee Krieger, aye; and be it further

Resolved, that the Village Board hereby directs the Village Clerk to prepare as many certified copies of this resolution as may be needed, and be it further

Resolved, that this resolution takes effect immediately.

Trustee Krieger stated: I would like to commend Trustee Dean. The kiosk at the head of the river looks great.

Trustee Dean stated: It is my understanding that there will be a little more local control with the waysides than there was with the kiosk. This was a project that I was most enthused about when we were first designated as a bay way destination, but our experience with that partnership was soured with the State Department. It was a pleasurable experience with the Estuary and the FINS, but it was interesting how a couple of people sitting in a cubicle in Albany thought they knew more about our waterfront than we did and were bent on writing the text for us and telling us what we needed to know about our waterfront. Really, the congratulations goes to Jeff for sticking with it and dealing with those people up there and seeing the project through. I just hope that we don't have those challenges heading forward.

Mr. Fullmer stated I have to concur and it is true. Trustee Dean brings up a good point but with low profile waysides there is a lot more freedom to the local aspect of the region than the kiosk which had a much more sort of rigid design required as to what it was interpreting. As you know, it was three panels; this will be just one panel. I am optimistic that the partnership that has been established here between the Village and the FINS in particular will work, and I anticipate the Town of Brookhaven will be very interested in this--that there will be consensus on what to interpret and how to interpret.

Mayor Pontieri stated: I would like to set a public hearing for establishing a public use benefit for the Patchogue River. With the dredging of the river, one of the issues that came up is how we would fund it. And one of the ways we talked about was contributions by those properties and businesses that on the river that have direct benefit to the dredging of the river itself. Also, the issue that came up is what do we do 15-20 years from now when we need to do some maintenance dredging or there are some issues of the bulkheading at the end of the streets--those kinds of things. One of the thoughts we had was to setup a benefit use district for the river which is similar to what the business improvement district is. It would be a taxing entity. And those monies once they are put together, and it is my goal, is that the monies that would be placed in that would be used for capital projects only and only be related from shoreline to shoreline along the river, not any upland work at all. Everything would be considered, whether it be dredging, bulkhead work, whether we put monies together to begin to work with the Town of Brookhaven to take care of the jetty that is at the end. For those who have been around a long time and have boats, you will remember the Sandspit beach used to go out $\frac{3}{4}$ the way down that jetty. Once the jetty began to fail, that sand scalloped its way through and that is what is deposited at the mouth of the river. My feeling is we need to set up some way to have a perpetual fund in place to be able to put the monies together to take care of those maintenance pieces because what we do today will last as long as we are in office, but there is another generation/administration sitting here and wrestling with the same problems saying how are we going to do this. What we learned is that the Federal may give you a little piece, the State may give you a little piece, but you have to get a lot of little pieces from a lot of people. Sometimes you are a lot better off if you take care of your own. Set a public hearing date of Thursday, January 24, 2008 at 7 p.m. to discuss the creation of a proposed Patchogue Riverfront Beneficial Use and Improvement District. The items to be discussed at this hearing will be the identification of lands and real property that will be considered as benefited by any expenditure made from district funds, the setting of the costs and the overall costs, local improvements and acquisitions of real property, levying and administration of local assessments, in protection and enhancement of the Patchogue River that will be assessed to the district and to authorize the hiring of a firm to create a map for the proposed district. Again, this is being set up for a long term solution

to a problem that we have today so nobody else has to deal with it the way we have to deal with it.

Mr. Fullmer asked: Mayor Pontieri, would you envision this type of district for generating funds for the potential of matching funds for a big capital project down the road, say there were Federal funds available which could some day happen? Would this affect projects purely within the district of Patchogue? The fact that you are having a public hearing is good as some folks would probably have questions about what types of projects and for whose benefit.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Considering the fact the Sandspit and that jetty is actually Town property my understanding is, but it has such an affect of what happens in the river itself which is within our boundaries, it may be something that we would partner with them. And as far as the matching funds, absolutely. Let's say for argument sack, there was a 10% match on a \$250,000 project, that means we have to come up with \$250,000 for that. The 250 could be a five year BAN that we would take out to pay off, that we would use those funds over five years to pay.

Mr. Fullmer stated: What you folks and the Village have gone through, what has happened is a great accomplishment from my perspective--looking ahead so that you don't have to go through that again.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Former Deputy Mayor Brian Weeks spent four years with them, prior to him was David Kennedy and Steve Keegan under the same set of circumstances, just going around and around. I would just like to leave something behind here when this is all over that the next administration/generation has some funds to work with and do some things.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, a motion was made to set a public hearing for January 24, 2008, at 7 p.m. at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, to consider creation of a Patchogue Riverfront Beneficial Use and Improvement District.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Krieger, and unanimously carried, the board approved request to authorize the Mayor to execute agreement for removal of snow and Ice (2007/08) with the Town of Brookhaven.

Mayor Pontieri stated: The Town of Brookhaven through the Highway tax that you see on your tax bill actually pays for your snow removal. We bill them back. They pay for the manpower and fuel. This agreement means they use us as a vendor for the Village of Patchogue snow removal.

B.I.D. Report – None

Chamber of Commerce Report – None

Trustee Krieger stated: Gateway has a lot of great holiday shows. Bringing all those people into the Village has a real positive effect not only retail but the restaurants. I was at Dominic Chianase show and had the opportunity to hear people comment on how beautiful the Village looked and how they ate at this and that restaurant. Those are the good reports that we get from people. I would like to thank Trustee Hilton for letting me be part of the Christmas parade. You did a great job and we had a lot of fun. There were about 15,000 people on Main Street. As soon as the parade got towards bar-b-q, the street sweeper was up. It was a credit to your crew, Joe.

Trustee Crean stated: Tomorrow afternoon there will be a meeting here at Village Hall with Artspace. We are taking a look at the initial designs on how the project will be laid out, the location, the size and scale of it all. It is moving along quite well and am looking forward to seeing some of their renderings. I spoke with the property owner at 20 Terry Street and we need to come to conclusion on that to make that acquisition to close on that property sometime after the first of the year. He is anxious to close and he assured me that the current tenant will be vacated by the end of this week. Perhaps we can then take a look at how we want to move forward on that.

Trustee Crean stated: The firm Patchogue Downtown Developers basically a corporation established by Tri-tech Realty have completed their environmental assessment of Mr. Furman's properties and they have come back at a level clean enough to not only get their financing in order to not only make the acquisitions, but to finance what their development plans are. It is a project that will probably be bounded by North Ocean and Havens, Lake and Main Street. Probably an excess of one hundred million dollar project when all is said and done which will include parking decks, mixed use development. But, the condemnation proceeding I view just as a formality at this point and time. The next hearing is set on Dec. 13th which will be approx. nine days after their stated closing date and I am hoping that the property ownership has changed hands at that point and the planning process will be quite involved with all various boards. I just want to make sure that everybody is on the same page. Tri-tec is a very reputable outfit and I couldn't be more pleased with the company that we will be doing business with.

Mayor Pontieri stated: What we are hoping is that Jan. through April, we will be able to have Tri-tec to come in and give somewhat of an overview of what their plans are because they have started some very serious development work on the project and they have some light sketches out and some ideas put to paper. It will be a community involved project.

Trustee Crean stated: I would like them to make their presentations to the BID board as well. The BID has a great deal to benefit from this redevelopment, expand their own tax base. I would like them to make presentations to the BID, our board, and also the fire district. Once they close on their properties, we will look to get those facilitated sometime in mid to late January.

Trustee Hilton stated: The Christmas parade was very successful. I want to thank everybody who was involved in it and everybody who volunteered their time. We had a tremendous amount of volunteers from the Parks and Highway Department, the cleanup and traffic control. I had a couple of complaints about the length of the parade, the crowd control and the temperature. We have an open invitation to all the fire departments who want to come to the parade; this year we had eleven fire departments who had about 44 pieces of apparatus. We had a hard time moving them off Main Street to keep the parade going. Next year we are going to concentrate down by Burlington, getting them through and out. Other than that, we are working on the temperature—we are planning on global warming.

Trustee Hilton stated: The Menorah lighting will take place Dec. 9th at the North Fork Plaza. It is always a great time and we serve refreshments.

Trustee Hilton stated: We are examining the bids that came in on the pool. The low bidder is higher than we had anticipated and we have asked all the bidders to sharpen their pencils and at that point we will decide what we want to do with the bids that we have. The plans are at the Health Department and we are now slowing down the plans by looking at the bids.

Trustee Hilton stated: At the Halycon Manor we started and completed another phase. We removed all the siding off the back of the building which we are calling "the addition." It's clappard which was put throughout. We removed the clappard off the south side which gets the most abuse from the elements and put up a sheeting in the meantime to close the building

for the winter. And we used the siding which we took off to repair the front and the sides because we want to keep the original period clappard that was there.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hilton, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the board approved request for the Lions Club to hold a Polar Bear Swim at the Beach Club on Saturday, February 9, 2008 from noon to 2 p.m.

Deputy Mayor McGiff stated: This new year the Bldg. Dept. is going to break down the Village to zones. This came to fruition because the Maple Ave. has a Neighborhood Watch and they gave us a list of concerns which included a number of overcrowded houses which we addressed and Carol Giglio is going to break down the Village to zones. We might appoint a person to each geographical district and one code officer so they will have a direct conduit to that person. That person will be the eyes and ears of that zone. There is only one meeting in December, the 10th.

Trustee Devlin stated: I have copies of the Community Development Budget. The 2008 proposed budget covers monies that the CDA puts towards administration. Part of the budget goes towards code enforcement. Projects that the money is getting paid to for 2008 would be matching funds for the Terry Street Walkway Renovation which we are currently applying for a Revitalization grant for a portion of the monies, Furman Square for perhaps some additional plantings and repair of the mural that is there. Right now there is only \$100 programmed for that, but we are going to try and get some additional funds in there. Another line that we hope to get additional funds for is the Shorefront bathrooms. We have a facade improvement matching program. This is the first time that this was done for downtown revitalization and they are looking at looking at the building on the corner known as the Buy/Sell Building, as a pilot project. They have ten storefronts so Marion is looking into some of the guidelines. There is a certain amount of CD funds that you are legally allowed to use for renovation of an individuals storefront... If it is successful, we might be looking to do a façade every year. We do have \$8,500 budgeted for the piece of property just west of the pool to do some sort of pocket park there...

Trustee Devlin stated: This week we received ten elm trees from the Liberty Elm Foundation; maybe you saw the article in the Advance. They did us one that was between 14 and 19 feet tall and they gave us a beautiful Liberty Elm Award Plaque. The purpose of this is in the spring we will mount this on a large stone in the vicinity of a donated tree which right now is one of the trees in the parking lot on Oak Street where we will probably do our Arbor Day celebration.

Trustee Devlin stated: Tomorrow night's Planning Board hearing will be about the YMCA. If anybody is interested in making comment or seeing what their architectural renderings look like or the site plan look like, the hearing is at 8 p.m.

Trustee Dean stated: I would like to congratulate Trustee Hilton for the terrific parade.

Trustee Dean stated: Dredging is proceeding as planned and scheduled and we are on target to complete that and get out of the river. With regards to Bay Elementary, there is a State grant program through the DOT designed to create safe avenues to school. It is specifically designed to increase pedestrian safety to schools. It looks at things such as curbs, sidewalks, traffic calming. We are going to be meeting with Lou Schwarz from Schneider Engineering this week. The Mayor, Trustee Crean and I will be attending a meeting to take a look at all the schools within the Village boundaries. How we can complete the sidewalks around them, take a look at any traffic calming measures we might want to take, and also see if we can't include the parks in this because we do have recreation programs down at the park which involves our students. We have the Patchogue Medford Youth Community Services down adjacent to the Halycon. This services our school children. We would like to include that in

our grant application. Hopefully, we can access some dollars and continue to improve pedestrian safety around the Village. Safe Streets to School is the name of the program.

Public to be Heard:

Rick Skelaney, 58 S. Summit Avenue, stated I wish we could get some of these people to slow down in the school zones. I wish we could put up some speed bumps. We have a situation on S. Summit since signs went up on Hill St. and S. Summit. Instead of having 4 way stops, we have stops in only one direction. S. Summit has a stop sign on its side and the other side is the other side of S. Summit and Hill St. has the right of way. We are getting a flow of people from Atlantic and using S. Summit as a throughway. The stop signs at S. Prospect are facing east/west, nothing facing north/south. People go zipping right through. On my street we have stop signs on the north and south side of S. Summit, but nothing on the Hill St. side, east/west... If it were possible for it to be four way stops on both those corners it would be good and they are both bus stops.

Michael Iella, S. Summit Avenue, stated there are lights out at 400 West Main Street, another by Felice's Catering—out for two years, another by the College by the Spanish Deli, another on Waverly Ave. between Mott and Marshall (cemetery side) hanging there for six months. Another thing is cars making U-turns in the middle of the Village.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.