

The Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees met in the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York on May 27, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pontieri with Trustees Crean, Dean, Devlin, Hilton, Krieger, McGiff, Treasurer Krawczyk, Attorney Egan and Village Clerk Seal present.

The flag salute was made.

Mayor Pontieri read the safety message.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Crean, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, the Board minutes of May 13, 2008 with one change was unanimously approved.

Treasurer Krawczyk stated: For the period of May 13, 2008 through May 27, 2008 the five largest bills paid were Norco Ltd. \$189,781.50 for pool refurbishing, NYS Employee Health \$80,853.01 for monthly premium, Enterprise Lighting \$25,700.00 for North Ocean Avenue lights, Ed Cork & Son \$19,480.65 for storm basins and Coughlin Foundotos \$13,500.00 for audit costs. Top five totaled \$329,315.16.

General Fund	\$551,726.94
Trust & Agency Fund	\$2,955.46
Capital Projects	\$211,815.83
Sewer Fund	\$19,089.81
BID Fund	\$5,493.54
Housing/Code Fund	\$5,411.99
Community Development Fund	\$5,965.53
General Bills	\$1,879.00
Total	\$804,338.10

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Dean, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the bills as presented.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the board approved request to pay Cassone Trailer & Container Co. \$26,644.00 for code officers' trailer.

Mayor Pontieri stated: We have a decision on a hearing originally held on October 9, 2007 for a request by Fat Fish Marina for a special permit for multiple family dwellings in C-Residence and for a special permit for multiple family dwellings in E-Industrial which was reserved and went to the Planning Board. We also have a resolution on SEQRA determination.

Village Attorney Egan stated: Tonight we have two resolutions before us, the first being a negative declaration or determination of non-significance on the environmental assessment form that was submitted by the applicants. That is under SEQRA. The second is a Special Permit application for the property would be for the Board to allow multi-family dwelling in C-Residential and E-Industrial classification on Mulford Street and West Avenue. The first resolution to be addressed is the determination of non-significance and negative declaration under SEQRA.

Village Clerk Seal stated: The resolution before us is for adopting a determination of non-significance relative to the approval of a Special Permit for property identified in the C-Residential and E-Industrial classifications and located at West Avenue and Mulford Street for the development of a 22-unit condominium project application of Fat Fish Marina, LLC.

Trustee Dean stated: Add on to this resolution that for the purposes of the Special Permit under SEQRA that the Village is declared lead agency.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the above was accepted as presented.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Hilton, the request to declare this a negative declaration and unlisted action under SEQRA was passed as presented with Trustee Crean opposed.

Village Attorney Egan stated: The second one is an application for a Special Permit for the property. Again, this was originally duly noted for a public hearing on October 9, 2007. At the public hearing comments were received and decision was deferred pending the proposal being submitted and ruled upon by the Planning Board and Zoning Board, both of which submitted their comments and made their decision. The Board tonight reviewed the environmental assessment form and declared the project to be a type unlisted. This is an application for a conditional Special Permit subject to the following six conditions:

- 1) Two (2) three –story condominium buildings with a total of 22 units;
- 2) A minimum of 67 on-site parking spaces, with 44 spaces of designated parking for the owner-occupants of the condominiums, with such spaces identified by number or name, in accordance with the Planning Board’s decision of March 25, 2008 and the Zoning Board of Appeal’s decision of May 7, 2008;
- 3) Sixty-two boat slips, twenty-two (22) of the slips occupied only by the condominium owners, thirty-six (36) available for lease and five (5) for transient docking only. No transient boat shall be berthed for a period in excess of five (5) consecutive days in the transient boat slips, and may not return to berth in any slip within the marina for a period of five (5) days after such slip is vacated. The operator/dock master shall keep a weekly log of all owners/occupants of the dock and said log shall be available to Village officials on demand;
- 4) Restoration, renovation and use of the clubhouse shall be in accordance with the Planning Board’s decision of March 25, 2008 and any proceedings and decisions thereunder;
- 5) Consistent with the Village’s Riverwalk Plan, the applicant shall undertake and fund the reconstruction and installation of the sidewalks on West Avenue between Laurel Street and Mulford Street;
- 6) Violation of the terms of this special permit, and any other conditions imposed by any board of the Village of Patchogue, shall be punishable under Sections 1-9 of the Village Code.

Village Attorney Egan: Stated Section 1-9 of the Village Code provides that any violations of the Special Permit, these five conditions, and that any other condition that may be imposed by the Planning Board in the future pursuant to their March 25, 2008 decision, will be punishable up to a fine of a maximum under the Village code which today stands at \$1,000.00 per day.

Trustee Crean stated: Looking under condition #3, it is for 62 boat slips and as I add up the numbers of 22 slips for the condominium owners, 5 transient slips, and 36 for lease, it turns out to be 63. Should we deduct one from 36?

Mayor Pontieri stated: Deduct it from 36, reducing it to 35.

Trustee Crean stated: Before we make a decision tonight, I want to commend the Zoning Board and Planning Board for their efforts in working with the applicant and trying to come up with an agreement or resolution that meets everybody’s interests. I still have certain reservations and I guess it is a matter of taking a look at the facts and maybe coming to a different conclusion. I also want to commend the applicant for their hard work of trying to meet the public’s interests. I know there has been a tremendous interest by the local residents on West Avenue and Mulford and up and down that whole corridor. Mr. Blakslee, Mr. Strecker and Mr. Haley have done a commendable job of trying to meet everybody’s interests. I hope, looking back, we don’t regret our decision today.

Trustee Crean stated: In condition #3 it calls for an operator/dockmaster to keep a weekly log of all the owners and occupants of the marina. I would wish this board would consider that we retain the right to review that log at our own discretion or within a timely manner on demand by the Village at any time.

Deputy Mayor McGiff stated: I would like to echo what Trustee Crean said. I think we have all wrestled with this. Not so much the personalities, but just the product. It is 2.1 square miles and we always think of density. As Gerry said, I hope we don’t look at this in our old age and regret this. Half of this parcel is E-Industrial and it is an up-zone and an improvement. By right, these owners can put Marran Oil back there or something. So I think we have to have the foresight to look and see what we want there and what is the best option for this entire Village. We all put a lot of hours into this, discussion and argument, and it hasn’t been an easy road.

Mayor Pontieri stated: I do appreciate the Board's time and effort.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Krieger, to accept the proposal as presented with changes as noted was passed with Trustee Crean opposed.

Village Clerk Seal read: Legal notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 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 a request by the owners of 214 East Main Street for an out of district sewer connection. At said public hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Jeffrey Butler of Jeffrey T. Butler, TEPC, with applicant Peter Miniark of 214 East Main Street stated: We are in the process of going through a change in the building and we are here tonight to request an out of district sewer connection for the building. Currently the building has a standard sanitary system. The sewer line runs cross the front of the building towards the north side of the building and we would like to upgrade the connection from the standard sanitary system to the sewer industry. Presently the building has one single use which is NAPA and it will be segmented into some retail use, occupants undetermined at this point. And NAPA will be scaled down towards the south side of the building with the same store front it has on Rider. We want the option so we could have a wet use or a dry use option for a tenant. We have a preliminary rendering of the storefront, but haven't been to the ARB at this point. We did go to the Planning Board. The building is about 12,000 sq. ft. and NAPA will retain probably about 6,000 sq. ft. There would be two retail units towards Main Street. They are going to be approx. 1,500 sq. ft. each. The second floor will stay as offices.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hilton, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board approved request as stated above.

Mayor Pontieri stated: A couple of weeks ago the Village was given \$600,000 towards the restoration of that block, specifically for Main Street.

Village Clerk Seal read: Legal notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 27 2008 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 a request by the owners of Water's Edge Habitat, Inc. located at West 4th Street for an out of district sewer connection. At said public hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Crean, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board reserved decision on request for an out of district sewer connection for the owners of Water's Edge Habitat, Inc. located at West 4th Street, pending information from Suffolk County and H2M regarding gallonage of Water's Edge and what they might require of our system.

Village Clerk Seal stated: Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 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 add a new section to the Village Code 521-3 to prohibit the taking of certain specie of carp from the Great Patchogue Lake. At said Public Hearing any person interested will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Trustee Dean stated: The Great Patchogue Lake will be stocked this coming Friday with a sexless grass carp which eats the invasive vegetation species that are in the Lake and hopefully restore it to a more natural state; the carp die and all our problems go away. This legislation would prohibit anglers from catching and keeping that specie of carp. It is surprising what goes into a piece of legislation like this. The Village Attorney has spent quite a bit of time researching this and putting it together. We had to contact the DEC and establish regulated freshwater wetland areas.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Suffolk County has allotted \$250,000.00 to figure out how to get rid of the invasive species of grass in Cannon Lake. We got a \$35,000.00 grant from the DEC to purchase 420 carp at a cost of \$17,000.00. My thought is I would rather come up with a solution than spend \$250,000.00 to figure out what it is as Suffolk County has done. Justice McGuire got the neighbors together on that Lake and raised about \$10,000.00 themselves for this. Once the carp are put in, they will live for about 10 years. Some of them grow to 25-30 lbs. It is an 8" fish when

it goes in. Before this lake behind Briarcliffe becomes unusable, this is an option that we are taking. Hopefully, this will save the lake. There will be signs put up so no one will take them.

No comments from the public.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the request was approved as stated above.

Mayor Pontieri stated: The decision on the hearing originally held May 13, 2008 for a request by the property owners of 90 East Main Street for a special permit for the purpose of constructing two apartments on the second floor of the building is to be considered. Trustee Dean and I had the opportunity to walk the building itself.

Trustee Dean stated: The Mayor and I had the opportunity to tour the upstairs of the premises and it is quite an impressive space. It is spacious and we had the floor plan as we toured it and there are going to be a couple of nice apartments. I like the space; I like the way it looked; I like where it is. I think it would be a benefit to have folks living upstairs right in close proximity to our business district. Additionally, which is not before us this evening, they have a plan to add some retail space underneath it in the back. We had the opportunity to look at the retail space and I am excited about those spaces going in as well. It is going to be a good project and I am recommending to the Board that we approve the request today to grant the apartment space.

Mayor Pontieri stated: I was a skeptic and had some real concerns about it, but as you walk out and actually stand in the back parking lot and visualize what it can be and how it will eventually lay out especially with the retail back there I like it.

Trustee Dean stated: The property owner has agreed to add some lighting to discourage some loitering in the later hours. I think it can be a nice, safe space and add some value.

No comments from the public.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the board approved the request as stated above.

B.I.D. Report – Dennis Smith stated: Five additional benches have been placed along Main Street bringing the total to 11. Ten additional benches will be placed by the end of July. That will leave 9 benches in reserve which will become part of the Roe Walkway. There are two projects in the Oak Street parking field and they are allocated for there as well. Twenty trash receptacles that we previously ordered were delivered to the DPW yard last week. I will work with John Lund over the next two weeks to get these placed on South Ocean Avenue, Waverly Avenue and maybe the far reaches of West Main Street. The flowering hanging baskets have been installed along Main Street and North & South Ocean Avenue. BID is in full mode with the parking lot planting and the maintenance including the watering throughout the Village. The BID storage barn was delivered two weeks ago to the parking lot behind the Bravo supermarket parking lot on Academy. Thanks to John Lund with the move from getting it from Church to Academy. Tentatively scheduled for this Saturday is “professional weeding” of the pavers and curbing along Main Street from West Avenue to Bay Avenue and down South Ocean Avenue to Division. They said they can do it this Saturday and there are a few things I need to work out. Hopefully, that will help this summer with keeping the weed problem that we had last year on these streets. The BID annual meeting for budget approval and election of board members and officers is scheduled for Tuesday, June 24, 2008, at 4 p.m. in Village Hall. All B.I.D. members are encouraged to come. If it pleases the board, I would like to give my annual report on June 23, 2008.

Mayor Pontieri stated: The BID has done a wonderful job. What you have gotten done is just amazing. We very much appreciate the support. Sometimes it is not even the big things that you do that make the biggest impact, it’s the little stuff that gets done. This week it will get done and the only people that will know about it are the people sitting in this room right now. The rest of the world will never realize it, but it will be something that is very noticeable and we all will know. We very much appreciate the support that you give us.

Dennis Smith: Stated on behalf of the BID board, I would like to thank you for those kind words and would like to add that it has been a pleasure to work with this Board as well as the other entities within the Village to get the things accomplished that we have gotten accomplished. It’s

not only one entity that can do it; it collectively. I think some of the things that we do would be more noticed if we didn't do it.

Chamber of Commerce Report – Gail Hoag, Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce, 15 North Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, stated: I would like to thank everyone who sent a card to Eloise Staudinger on her 100th birthday. She has been thrilled and she certainly represents the heart of Patchogue, yet still working at 100 years old. I want to thank the Village and the BID on the hanging baskets. They are beautiful and the Village looks great with them and the flags up. The LIRR is doing a promotion for restaurants from June 1st to Dec. 31st for people who take a one-day excursion from Penn Station to Patchogue. In Penn Station they can pick up a paper with a \$10 discount at our local restaurants. If you go to the LIRR website under “Tourism” and pick out Patchogue, those restaurants are listed there. People who come to the restaurants will most likely walk the Village and see the other stores. One requirement was the restaurant had to be within walking distance from the train station. The Chamber directory will be out within the next few weeks in the former smaller format.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Your help and support is really appreciated.

Trustee Krieger stated: I am happy to announce the appointment of a new Board member to the Theatre, Ken Meyer. He is a lifetime Patchogue resident and has done a lot for the Village and his family is well known in the Village. He is going to bring a lot to our Board. Unlike a lot of other boards, the Theatre Board is a working board. Everybody has a role.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Ken Meyer put together a fund raiser at Sean Rose's house for the Philharmonic so that they would continue to play at the Theatre. They rolled a baby grand piano into his living room and people were invited that Ken has contacts with locally and with his efforts they were able to put together the amount of funding needed to guarantee that the Philharmonic will be with us for the next five years. One of the treats to all of us that day was Ken's son who is a classical guitarist who received his doctorate from the Eastman School of Music and teaches classical guitar at the University of Syracuse.

Trustee Krieger stated: Ken's job is to be part of the push to help raise money for the Theatre and is also starting our new sponsorship program for next year. We want to thank people in the audience who have sponsorships with the Theatre and we appreciate them and hope you continue in the support of the Theatre. Unfortunately, the County for a number of years had been giving us about \$30,000, but that money has gone elsewhere. That money was for advertising and has now been cut.

Trustee Krieger stated: On June 1st the Atlantic Wind Symphony will be at the Theatre and on June 5th a local band will be playing in the lobby, Camera Head Shark. Support your local bands at the Patchogue Theatre. Go to *Patchogue Theatre.com* for all the upcoming shows in the future.

Trustee Krieger stated: I want to publicly commend the Mayor in his comments at the Memorial Day events. He did a great job and really spoke to the crowd. It is probably the most rewarding parade to march in.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Krieger, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the Board approved a request by the Brick House Brewery to close Havens Avenue on Friday, June 20th from 5:00 p.m. to 11 p.m. to host the “Toast to Our Troops” fundraiser.

Melissa Lewando from the Brick House Brewery stated: I am holding a fundraiser called “Toast to Our Troops” and the money raised from this event will be used to send supplies to our troops fighting in Afghanistan. I was just sponsored by the Brotherhood of the Railroad Signalmen and it got big from there. Instead of just using the Brick House Hops Garden, because it got too big for there, we would like to close down the street. We have had beer, liquor and food donated. I spoke with the other business owners on the street who signed a letter stating that they would consent to the closing of the street. Lindy's Taxi asked to block it off after the driveway. I have spoken with Kiwanis, VFW and the American Legion about being a sponsor.

Trustee Crean stated: I am pleased to announce that Tri-tec has entered into contract with a couple of property owners on the block that we are looking to get redeveloped. They have reached an agreement with Frank Graziano who owns three parcels on the west side of Havens Avenue.

Frank had some bold propositions of what he wanted to do with that property and I am pleased that we will be dealing with one developer that has a clear vision of what this Village would like to see happen. They have also entered into contract with a property owner on the west side of Haven's Avenue and they will look to be closing within three months on both of those parcels. I am anxious to meet with them to see what a revised layout of the block will look like. A lot of it will be predicated on their success in attaining public dollars from the County for infrastructure and acquisition. We will keep you abreast on how those things develop.

Trustee Crean stated: I got the opportunity to walk in to J&R's steakhouse. They finally opened their doors to a soft opening and had a very good weekend. I don't know when they will have their grand opening.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Crean, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board approved a request by the Knights of Columbus to erect a banner on Main Street two weeks prior to the event for their 105th Year celebration on June 21st. They are saluting St. Francis De Sales Pastor Kevin Smith who is moving to a parish in Oyster Bay.

Mayor Pontieri stated: For those of you who do not know Father Kevin from St. Francis, he has been a real asset to the community and has been very involved in a lot of what goes on. We are hoping that his replacement at St. Francis will have some of the energy that he has. He really has been a wonderful person to work with and has done some great things for both the parish and the community itself. He has always been there when asked as has most all of the churches whether it be Congregational, Methodist or Rabbi Levinson.

Trustee Hilton stated: The pool project is on schedule. Last week Trustee Dean and his gallant Highway Department built a Nicolock retaining wall. We saved a ton of money.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Hilton, seconded by Trustee Dean, and unanimously carried, the board approved a request for the Suffolk County Council Interfaith Committee to host a "Ten Commandment Hike" on Friday, November 28th. The Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and Eagle Scouts visit the different houses of worship in the Village in order to expand their richness of the faith.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the board approved request for the Iglesia Pentecostal Church to hold their annual summer exceptional church services in the parking lot of their location at 102 Railroad Avenue on July 11 & 12 and August 29 & 30 between the hours of 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the board re-appointed Michael Giambone as Special Prosecutor for the Building and Housing Department.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the board set a public hearing to be held on June 9, 2008, at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, to consider rescinding Village Code 7-4, Subsection F. This has to do with our code officers being armed. Effective June 1st the code officers will no longer carry weapons. This is something we have struggled with over the past four years. The civil service law job description does not address the issue of their being armed. The Suffolk County Charter around 1960 which created the Suffolk County Police Department effectively emasculated villages in having a separate police force. Two prior administrations have sought these code officers as peace officer from Albany and that has been denied. The last issue is that we do have the Suffolk County Fifth Precinct within the confines of our Village border. We are very lucky to have those well trained, well paid police officers to respond. It doesn't effect the job description of our code officers. Their duty has always been to enforce the village code and that has not changed in any respect. It just encourages them to do that unarmed.

Mayor Pontieri stated: Three other issues that drive that is training. We do have Jerry Avelino here who is a retired police officer who has had years of training and that is not the issue. The Suffolk County police within their mandate, back in the early '60's, one of the two issues that came up. The Village will always have the Fifth Precinct; within the Village of Patchogue; their precinct will always here. Secondly, there is a directive at the Fifth that when the police come and go from the Fifth, unless they are going due north, they come down Main Street and go through the Village. We probably have as many police officers on the streets, more so than any

other community. The third thing is, and it is the least out of all of them, but the greatest of impact on those in some sense performing, the liability insurance on our code officers carrying weapons is between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ of our total liability policy which is close to \$100,000. For that policy that two men, at sometimes three men on duty, and most of the time only one during the course of the day costs about \$100,000. It is not an easy decision to make. The Village Attorney did a lot of research on it for us. One of the other issues that became very clear, Village Clerk Seal contacted almost every village that has code enforcement. There is only one other village on Long Island that does carry a weapon and that's Port Jefferson. They are going through the same process that we are going through. We are very fortunate. We have a very dedicated group of men and woman that do the job. It is unfortunate that circumstances are what they are and based on NYS civil service law the carrying of a weapon ceases as of the end of this month.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Hilton, and unanimously carried, the request was approved as stated above.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor McGiff, seconded by Trustee Devlin, and unanimously carried, the board set a public hearing date for June 23, 2008, to be held at 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York, to parking requirements for multi-family future projects, condominiums, townhouses, et al.

Trustee Devlin stated: As Dennis Smith has mentioned about the new trash cans, about 12 trash cans with lids were for Mascot dock. The electric one is working again. We are going to take the current trash cans without lids which are located on Mascot dock and going to circulate them around the ball fields.

Upon a motion made my Trustee Devlin, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board approved request for Bay Avenue School to hold their annual field days on June 13, 16, 17, 19, 24 and 25 at Shorefront Park. Patchogue-Medford School insurance certificate is on file.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Devlin, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board approved request for Grace Gospel Church to use the Rider Avenue complex for their annual youth softball camp from August 25-29.

Upon a motion made Trustee Devlin, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board approved request to hire the following Parks staff: Steve Gill at \$10.75/hr, Allan Hendrickson at \$10.75/hr and Nick Kreamer at \$12.00/hr.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Devlin, seconded by Trustee Dean, and unanimously carried, the board approved request to hire John Kirshey and James Donovan as dock masters at whatever the hourly wages paid to dock masters.

Trustee Devlin stated: The request to hold the first annual "Conquer Chiari" three-mile walk on Sat., Sept. 20th at 9 a.m. starting at Shorefront park has been tabled until the June 9, 2008 meeting.

Trustee Devlin stated: Everybody should have in their packet a copy of the resolution Attorney Egan drafted giving me permission to go out for the current DEC tree grant. The maximum to be granted is \$20,000. I am not sure I will be requesting quite that much, but am going to ask for as much as I can. Right now we are planning to do the whole Main Street area wherever there is a need for trees and some of the parking lots by the railroad. And we are also going to start a multi-year project to plant trees and shrubs on the property a little north of the Winona hotel. There is a piece of property about 4 acres just north of the Winona hotel where several years ago a developer cleared out with the intention of building houses. The Town then purchased it as open space and it has been sitting there as open space. We took a look at it the other day with the Tree Committee. It is quite a large piece of property so we will probably phase it and the size trees that we will need for that is fairly inexpensive and we will include that in the grant as well. It is a 50% match; if we request \$20,000 we would then need to come up with \$20,000. It is over a two year period and we can include time labor and volunteer labor. My budget each year is \$10,000 so the money is there, but we probably won't need all of that for these particular projects.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Devlin, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the board approved request as stated above.

Trustee Devlin stated: With reference to the CDA, on June 5th you all have to come down to the affordable housing lottery. All the applications have been submitted. They still need to have a 20% down payment and need to have sufficient income to be able to qualify for a mortgage at the \$195,000.00 price for the house. We had a lot of applicants, but when you narrow it down there were only a few people who actually qualify.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Krieger, and unanimously carried, the board approved request to award bid for the cleaning and sanitizing of the HVAC ducts at the Patchogue Theatre to the Cunningham Duct Cleaning Company, Inc. for the amount of \$11,750.00.

Trustee Dean stated: The manufacturer of the roofing material did an inspection this week with the contractor and we are expecting the warranty paperwork to be faxed or mailed to McClave Engineering and when we get that, that will be the final component of the roofing project. The manufacturer goes and inspects to make sure the installer did it as per manufacturer specs. When we get that, there will be a final bill on the roofing that has to be paid and then that will be done.

Trustee Dean stated: At the last board meeting I had sought board approval to go out to bid or award it if it were under \$10,000 for the contract for removing of asbestos on the porch roof at the Winona. We secured three prices, the lowest of which was \$5,700 which is Boyle Construction. They did the asbestos shakes down there before and are a good, reliable company. Just as an update, we awarded that job and all the notifications have been put in place and we hope to get started next week ripping down the roof on the porch at 380 Bay. We need to put a roof back on there, so I am seeking board approval for a change order from Carter Melance for the installation of a new rubber roof over the existing porch and that rear connection quarter between the building and minor sheeting repair. A 15 year roof warranty will be provided. That is in the amount of \$17,218.00.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Dean, seconded by Trustee Crean, and unanimously carried, the request was approved as stated above.

Trustee Dean stated: We have finalized the contract with Carter Melance for the renovation work on the exterior. Those are going out. They have to order materials which will give us a couple of weeks lead time which will give us time to get the asbestos off the roof and do the roof and sheeting in one project which will make it a whole lot more water tight. Joel Peck and I have taken a look at the repairs to the porch and some of the mechanical systems, and we are trying to make some hard decision on how to best spend our dollars and provide a healthy, safe and comfortable environment inside the building. It is going to be a challenge, but we will stretch the dollars as best we can and provide a good integrated system that we can work with down there.

Public to be heard:

Joe Pellegrino, 340 South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, stated some five year's ago and sidewalk and black top macadam repair was done on South Ocean Avenue starting from Baker Street continuing down to the dock. For some ungodly reason they decided to come up to Carmen Street and stop. Then they continued the repair from Laurel Street all the way down to the dock and I guess excluding the areas that were done already because of the catch basin problem would backwater flow. I don't know. It is five year's ago and the sidewalks in between the area that was not done has not been addressed and it doesn't look like it is going to be addressed. I don't know for what reason because it had to be part of that contract. There are all sorts of sidewalks and blacktop repairs that have been done including this 1926 luxurious venture from the village on back to where the Town of Brookhaven's line is. In the meantime, I am sure they knew there was unfinished work there. In fact, the condition of the sidewalks is getting so bad that we actually are getting bushes and trees growing up out of the curbs now. Why isn't anything being addressed in this area?

Mayor Pontieri stated: We talked about this and I don't know why and what the budgetary issues were when that was done. This was not done under our administration. I have walked it and looked at it and it is a very expensive proposition and we got to come up with the money to do it.

Mr. Pellegrino asked: Where did all this money come from--all the sidewalks and all the projects that have been done in numerous areas?

Mayor Pontieri stated: The money on North Ocean Avenue was designated for North Ocean Avenue. As you heard me mention earlier, we got \$600,000 from Bishop. When the Federal government gives you money, they designate the area to be done. We don't have that choice. They designated from Maple Avenue—actually they gave us 1.5 million dollars and took back \$900,000 of it—to Bay Avenue. They designate the area. Those two projects were put in place and received when we came in, but applied for by other administrations. We have applied now for 1.5 million dollars for various roads and sidewalks. Hopefully, out of those monies we will get enough money to do those sidewalks.

Mr. Pellegrino stated: In actuality when you start a contract, you start from Baker Street and work your way south. How come you stop at a certain point, leave the middle out, and pick it up. It's usually if you run out of money, if there is a fraudulent investigation on Pat Streibel's part or the concrete contractor, you run your contract until the investigation starts. Something had to be done.

Trustee Dean stated: We don't have those answers. We don't have the contracts in front of us. We don't know what the terms or conditions of the contract were. We didn't sit here at the time. If you give us an opportunity to take a look at the contracts and dig them out, we would know the answers.

Mr. Pellegrino stated: I would really appreciate that in an appreciable amount of time because nobody could give me a concrete answer why we were eliminated.

Trustee Dean stated: Your point has been made. You have my word that I will go down in the basement and dig through the boxes to try and find this contract. I don't know that it exists. I can't make any guarantees on that. But, we will take a look for it and see if we can come up with the terms and conditions of that project. Without that paperwork in front of us, this is an exercise in futility going around in circles and getting nowhere. This is the first time I am hearing of it.

Mr. Pellegrino stated: I wanted to hold my taxes and I will put my own sidewalks in. Then you can keep anything you want. I don't want nothing from the Village. I'll take care of my own property because I am the property owner, but I am not going to pay these taxes. Let me use my tax money towards something that is constructive to me as a property owner and a village renter. I defy anybody to come and look at my premises. I would compare it to anything that is in this village as far as quality and up to standard. And I have to live with trees in front of my sidewalk that I have repaired it a thousand times. Repair is not going to hold up. When can I come back and get some kind of an answer about these records that you are going to investigate?

Trustee Dean stated call the Village tomorrow, leave your phone number, and as soon as I dig them up—and I have do have a full time job, so I am not going to be down there tomorrow at 9 a.m.—and it is going to take me a little time.

Scott Salmando stated: I want to commend you for the way you run the meetings and the way you run the Village, but I have something to bring up to you that I think is important for everybody here. In the *Pulse* about two month's ago, they did an article about urban blight and what happened to our villages. They mentioned Patchogue in a derogatory way saying "remember when all roads led to Patchogue. That's not really the case." I wrote an letter to the editor which came out this month to let them know what you have been doing and that there is a lot of good things happening in the Village of Patchogue. It is really revitalizing the area and in the next two to five years things are really going to be different. Is the Village doing anything PR wise for when this construction all gets done to attract the businesses and the people coming down? Is that all in Tri-tec's hands or is the Village putting things out to the LIA, to the L.I.Commerce Association, whatever it is, to tell them where we re and what we are going?

Mayor Pontieri stated: We have done presentations at L. I. Smart Growth conferences—and one with Coughlin in a couple of weeks with Nassau County. We have gotten quite a bit of notoriety within the development circles. Outside of that, we have gotten some nice articles out of the New York Times and nice press out of Newsday. So on a formal basis, no; just on an informal basis, just by what we have done we have gotten some press.

Scott Salmando stated: Maybe you should think about that as the next couple of years go by because it is important not only to build it, but to advertise it so that they will come. Keep up the good work. You are doing a splendid job and again, thanks.

Mark Siegel, 260 Waverly Avenue, owner of Blum's stated: I was here six months ago about Fat Fish, and Trustee Crean was the only person that said anything about the parking and they went down his throat. That's where they are terrible. What they have done to my father at the Zoning Board—because he does talk a lot, but he cares about Patchogue. I hope it goes well for you with those guys.

Al King, Maple Avenue, stated: I am a student at Briarcliffe college and lived in the Village two years. I would like to know what you are doing in the Village of Patchogue with reference to affordable housing for the veterans, disabled, and the homeless people. With building those housing, associating with companies that have _____ products. And if there are people interested in investing, like where they could go to get assistance like Federal grants or subsidies. I have been looking at the Village and have an idea of who to bring more economy and investment to the Village and believe that it is really a good place to live and it is a great a population and would like to be a part of it.

Trustee Crean stated: If you followed this administration's successes in the last few years in developing affordable housing, just a few hundred yards from here you will notice that we built 80 new homeowner occupied units, 40 of which are designated for first time home buyers that are designated, based on medium income, as affordable units. We are continuing now to work with Tri-tec Development. They are again looking to bring an affordable component to their development within the mix uses of retail, hospitality and commercial square footages, they are also going to be developing affordable housing on that site as well. I would urge you to contact Marion Russo from our Community Development Agency and if you would wish to contact James Morgo from Suffolk County, former President of L. I. Housing Partnership, and now Deputy Executive _____. He would be a tremendous resource in trying to navigate through public funding that might be available to assist you in developing affordable housing.

Mayor Pontieri stated: We also have an agreement with an organization called Mercy Haven, Sister Pat Griffith. They have actually purchased a yellow house on Amity Street that has been vacant for the past 3-4 years. They are going to take the house down and build another home which will be specifically set up for families that are the working homeless. They don't have enough money to get into their own home and they will provide the home. They have jobs and they work. So it is a lot of what you are talking about. There are people out there, husband and wife, who have jobs but don't have the money for a down payment or any prepayments. Mercy has purchased two homes that they are going to set up that way, for the working homeless. We have taken a very active role. Another organization that you may want to contact who will give you a lot of information is the Long Island Housing Partnership in Hauppauge.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Crean, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGiff, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.