

The Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees met in the Municipal Building, 14 Baker Street, Patchogue, New York on Monday, May 23, 2022 with public viewing through video streaming on YouTube and in person.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pontieri with Deputy Mayor Krieger and Trustees Carillo, Ferb, Keyes, McHeffey, Village Attorney Egan, Village Treasurer Krawczyk, Village Clerk Devlin, and Deputy Village Clerk Braile present. Trustee Brinkman was absent.

The flag salute was made and the safety message was given.

Village Clerk Devlin asked the Board to approve Board Meeting minutes from May 9, 2022.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Board Meeting minutes from May 9, 2022.

Village Treasurer Krawczyk Devlin stated the total bills for the period ending May 23, 2022 were \$699,992.44. The five largest bills were as follows: \$169,511.92 for NYS Employees Health Insurance, \$101,500.00 for H2M, \$45,477.01 for Town of Brookhaven, \$27,278.49 for PSEGLI, and \$26,758.41 for Trojan UV.

General	\$ 469,443.53
Trust & Agency	\$ 18,249.34
Cap Projects	\$ 101,419.99
Sewer Fund	\$ 98,010.61
B.I.D. Fund	\$ 4,205.79
Housing Fund	\$ 0.00
CDA Fund	\$ 4,661.18
General Bills	\$ 4,002.00
Totals	\$ 699,992.44

Upon a motion by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board approved payment of the bills as presented.

Mayor Pontieri stated that the \$101,500 bill from H2M would be reimbursed by the state as it was for the south Patchogue sewer project. The bill from Trojan UV was part of the wastewater treatment plant project, and those funds did not come out of the General Fund. Unfortunately, the Town of Brookhaven landfill fees were increasing.

Village Treasurer Krawczyk asked the Board to approve year end budget transfers.

Upon a motion by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the following budget transfers:

GENERAL FUND

TO:

ACCOUNT#	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
001-1010-0100	TRUSTEES-PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$125.00
001-1110-0101	COURT-PERSONNEL OVERTIME	\$3,000.00
001-1110-0419	COURT-MAINT & REPAIRS	\$200.00
001-1110-0450	COURT-MISC	\$400.00
001-1325-0414	TRESURER-MATERIALS & SUPP	\$500.00
001-1355-0200	TAX ASSESSOR-EQUIPMENT	\$300.00
001-1410-0416	VILLAGE CLERK-PRINTING	\$200.00
001-1410-0418	VILLAGE CLERK-PUBLISHING	\$1,000.00
001-1410-0432	VILLAGE CLERK-COMPUTER SVCS	\$5,000.00
001-1410-0450	VILLAGE CLERK-MISC	\$2,000.00
001-1410-0456	VILLAGE CLERK-POSTAGE	\$500.00
001-1450-0415	ELECTION-FEES FOR SVCS	\$450.00

001-1620-0412	VILLAGE HALL-UTILITIES	\$2,500.00
001-1640-0100	DPW-PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$5,000.00
001-1640-0412	DPW-UTILITIES	\$1,000.00
001-1640-0420	DPW-MAIN&REPAIR(BLDG)	\$500.00
001-1640-0421	DPW-GAS&OIL	\$25,000.00
001-1910-0457	INSURANCE	\$2,500.00
001-3622-0200	PUBLIC SFTY-EQUIP CODE ENFORCEMENT-AMBULANCE	\$200.00
001-3989-0483	CONTRACT	\$500.00
001-5110-0414	STREET-MAT&SUPP	\$5,000.00
001-5142-0414	SNOW-MATERIALS&SUPP	\$1,000.00
001-5182-0414	STREET LIGHT-MATERIALS & SUPP	\$15,000.00
001-5182-0446	STREET LIGHT-LIGHTING	\$18,000.00
001-7110-0100	PARKS-PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$6,500.00
001-7110-0419	PARKS-MAIN&REPAIRS EQUIP	\$5,000.00
001-7110-0420	PARKS-MAIN&REPAIRS BLDG	\$1,000.00
001-7110-0450	PARKS-MISC	\$100.00
001-7110-0456	PARKS-POSTAGE	\$50.00
001-7180-0419	POOL-MAINT&REPAIRS(EQUIP)	\$150.00
001-7270-0450	BAND SHELL-MISC	\$150.00
001-7310-0417	YOUTH PROGRAMS-UNIFORMS	\$100.00
001-8010-0456	ZONING-FEES FOR POSTAGE	\$200.00
001-8020-0100	PLANNING-PERSONNEL	\$200.00
001-8160-0412	REFUSE-UTILITIES	\$1,500.00
001-8160-0427	REFUSE-REPAIRS BY OTHER	\$15,000.00
001-8560-0450	SHADE TREES-MISC	\$1,000.00
001-9060-0807	HOSPITAL & MEDICAL INS	\$15,000.00
		\$135,825.00

FROM:

ACCOUNT#	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
001-1010-0465	TRUSTEES-CONFERENCE EXP	\$125.00
001-1110-0100	COURT-PERSONNEL	\$3,000.00
001-1110-0200	COURT-EQUIPMENT	\$400.00
001-1110-0416	COURT-PRINTING	\$200.00
001-1325-0416	TREASURER-PRINTING	\$500.00
001-1410-0411	VILLAGE CLK-TELEPHONE	\$5,000.00
001-1410-0419	VILLAGE CLK-MAIN&REPAIRS(EQUIP)	\$2,000.00
001-1640-0101	DPW-PERSONNEL OT	\$2,000.00
001-1640-0102	DPW-PERSONNEL DT	\$2,000.00
001-1640-0412	DPW-UTILITIES	\$2,500.00
001-1640-0422	DPW-TIRES	\$1,000.00
001-1960-0486	REFUND OF TAXES	\$75,900.00
001-3622-0420	PUBLIC SAFETY-MAINT&REPAI BLDG	\$400.00
001-5110-0200	STREET-EQUIP	\$5,000.00
001-5142-0102	SNOW-SALARIES DT	\$1,000.00
001-7110-0101	PARKS-PERSONNEL OT	\$3,500.00
001-7110-0102	PARKS-PERSONNEL DT	\$1,000.00
001-7110-0200	PARKS-EQUIP	\$3,000.00
001-7110-0474	PARKS-PAY FOR PLAY SVCS	\$1,000.00
001-7110-0476	PARKS-PAY FOR PLAY TROPHIES	\$1,000.00
001-7180-0417	POOL-UNIFORMS	\$150.00
001-7270-0418	BAND SHELL-PUBLISHING	\$150.00
001-7310-0416	YOUTH PROGRAMS-PRINTING	\$100.00

001-8010-0418	ZONING-PUBLISHING	\$200.00
001-8020-0415	PLANNING-SERVICES	\$200.00
001-8160-0100	REFUSE-PERSONNEL	\$9,500.00
001-8160-0200	REFUSE-EQUIPMENT	\$7,000.00
001-9010-0801	STATE RETIREMENT	\$8,000.00

SEWER FUND

TO:

ACCOUNT#	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
005-1440-0415	ENGINEER-FEE FOR SERVICES	\$50,000.00
005-8130-0419	SEWER-MAINT & REPAIRS EQUIP	\$50,000.00
		\$100,000.00

SEWER FUND

FROM:

ACCOUNT#	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
005-1420-0415	VILLAGE ATTY-FEES FOR SVCS	\$4,000.00
005-1980-0494	COMP ABSENCES	\$3,000.00
005-1990-0500	CONTINGENT ACCOUNT	\$7,000.00
005-8120-0419	SANITARY SEWERS-REPAIRS EQUIP	\$6,000.00
001-8130-0100	SEWER PERSONNEL	\$8,000.00
005-8130-0101	SEWER PERSONNEL OT	\$20,000.00
005-8130-0102	SEWER PERSONNEL DT	\$10,000.00
005-8130-0200	SEWER-EQUIPMENT	\$7,000.00
005-8130-0410	SEWER-UTILITIES	\$10,000.00
001-8130-0414	SEWER-MAT & SUPPLIES	\$10,500.00
001-8130-0420	SEWER-MAINT BLDG	\$2,500.00
001-8130-0450	SEWER-MISC	\$3,000.00
001-8130-0465	SEWER-CONFERENCE EXP	\$4,000.00
001-9010-0801	RETIREMENT	\$5,000.00
		\$100,000.00

Village Treasurer Krawczyk then reviewed the cash balances as of April 30, 2022 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 7,859,876.25
Trust and Agency	\$ 102,130.83
Sewer Fund	\$ 1,483,913.52
BID Fund	\$ <u>68,419.26</u>
	\$ 9,590,385.96

Mayor Pontieri asked the Board to approve Non Union Village employee salaries for fiscal year 2023. He noted that these salaries would be increased at the same percentage that union salaries were increased.

Upon a motion by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee Carillo, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for Non Union Village employee salaries for fiscal year 2023 as presented.

David Kennedy reviewed the Chamber of Commerce report. He indicated that he was glad to see Mayor Pontieri back. Mr. Kennedy noted that the Chamber had just completed a very active month and a half of ribbon cuttings. Since April 2nd, there had been nineteen ribbon cuttings which was the most he remembered doing in such a short period of time during at least his nine year tenure with the Chamber. In spite of the businesses that were lost over the past couple of years, this showed that the vitality of the community was still strong, and this was a credit to the

hard work of the Board as well. Mr. Kennedy indicated that the Chamber's biggest networking event of the year, Power in Heels, was coming up. This event honored four women in the community for the great work they did and would be held on Tuesday, June 14th, at 11:00 a.m. at Dirty Taco. One of the women being honored was Parks and Recreation Director Maria Giustizia-Hilton. The others being honored were Dawn Turnbull, Carolyn Villegas, and Dana Deshler. Everyone who had applied for consideration were worthy, and he hoped those who were not chosen this year would re-apply for nomination next year. Mr. Kennedy continued by noting that the next Membership Meeting of the Chamber would be held on Tuesday, May 31st at Toast featuring Big Brother and Big Sisters as the guest presenters. He indicated that this organization was struggling to find mentors, and he encouraged anyone interested in doing so to attend this meeting. Planning for summer events was well underway with the most time intensive event being Alive After Five. Though the dates had been chosen, there were still permits to obtain. Mr. Kennedy thanked the restaurants for being very cooperative in reconfiguring the event to be much more family friendly. It was planned to have more family friendly activities at the heart of the area with the bands at the end caps of the event space where people could have adult beverages and enjoy the music with less focus on these activities than had been in the past. The Chamber had learned from the Sundown Festivals held last year that there was a strong demand for family friendly events in Patchogue with the growth in young families in the area which was why the focus of Alive After Five was changing. He continued by noting that the Chamber had partnered with the Patchogue-Medford Library, Patchogue Medford Community Youth Services, Patchogue Arts Council, GiGi's Playhouse, and Think Big Theatre to put on a series of family events to be held throughout the year that the Board would be considering this evening. Family Fun Night was one for which the date of August 5th was being requested, along with a Family Fall Fun Day on Sunday, October 2nd, Family Winter Fest on Friday, December 9th, and a series of other events being worked on through early 2023. He felt that all of these organizations pooling their resources together would make for great events. Mr. Kennedy indicated that Mike Serrigliano, President of the Board for GiGi's Playhouse, was present this evening and was meeting with all of these organizations to put together these events. Mr. Kennedy also noted that he had been meeting with Trustee Carillo with regards to an event honoring those of Hispanic heritage as well. Should any of these proposed dates clash with the date for that event, changes would be made as he considered that a priority. Trustee Ferb was due to present the dates for approval later in the evening, but they were here to answer any questions the Board might have. Mr. Kennedy also noted that they were requesting approval for the annual Fall Festival date as well.

Trustee Ferb asked the Board to approve the Fall Festival.

Upon a motion by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee Carillo, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce to hold their Fall Festival on Saturday, October 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with street closures on Main Street between Maple Avenue and West Avenue and on Ocean Avenue between Oak Street and Church Street from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Ferb asked the Board to approve Family Fun Events.

Upon a motion by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee Carillo, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Greater Patchogue Chamber of Commerce to hold the following Family Fun Events: 1) Friday, August 5, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with East Main Street closed between Maple Ave and Ocean Ave between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.; 2) Sunday, October 2, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with use of the cut-out section of the Terry Street lot located to the east of the Patchogue- Medford Library between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. 3) December 9, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with street closure on Main Street between Maple and Ocean Ave between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. subject to approval of a Special Events Permit Application for each event.

Mr. Kennedy thanked the Board for their approval of the dates for these events. He also noted that the Fall Festival would coincide with the MOCA Lights presentation as well. In addition, a tentative date had been set for the Winter Festival which would coincide with the MOCA Lights Merry and Bright show. Mr. Kennedy then thanked Trustee Carillo for inviting him to a meeting with the NYS Secretary of State and expressed his appreciation for being a part of that gathering.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked the Board to set a public hearing.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Krieger, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board set a public hearing for June 13, 2022 to consider “No Parking, Standing, or Stopping” on the south side of Baker Place.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked the Board to set a public hearing.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Krieger, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board set a public hearing for June 27, 2022, to consider amending Chapter 281-2 and 281-9 of Chapter 281 – Noise.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked the Board to ratify prior approval for Crown Wilshire Productions to film at Father Tortora Park.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Krieger, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board ratified prior approval to permit Crown Wilshire Productions to film at Father Tortora Park on May 29th from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked Village Clerk Devlin to notify the neighbors that this would be occurring. Village Clerk Devlin stated that she would do so.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked the Board to approve use of parking spaces by Crown Wilshire Productions in the vicinity of Father Tortora Park.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Krieger, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for Crown Wilshire Productions to use 15 parking spaces in the vicinity of Father Tortora Park for their vehicles, including a passenger van and motorhome, on May 29th from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked Village Clerk Devlin to request that the organization use parking spaces on the park side and avoid the residential area as much as possible.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked the Board to approve hiring seasonal help for DPW.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Krieger, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval to hire Nicholas Giammarella and John James as Seasonal Help for DPW at \$17 per hour.

Deputy Mayor Krieger asked the Board to approve a salary increase for a DPW Laborer.

Upon a motion by Deputy Mayor Krieger, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval to increase Joseph Sinclair’s salary as DPW Laborer to \$17 per hour.

Trustee Keyes indicated that this past Saturday, the PEP Committee had partnered with the Patchogue-Medford Library, Suffolk County Police Department, and the Brookhaven Bike Co-op in a bike donation event which had resulted in 20 people receiving a much needed bike. They had also received several donations of bikes which would be rehabbed by the Brookhaven Bike Co-op and distributed where needed. PEP had also donated the Village’s first bike fix-it station which was located behind the Carnegie Library. This station would include a place to get air for tires as well as the tools and equipment needed to fix anything on a bike that might break. Trustee Keyes indicated that it was his understanding that the station could be registered online, and bikers could download an app which would share bike fix-it station locations. Deputy Mayor Krieger inquired as to who supplied the bikes for the event. Trustee Keyes stated that the PEP Committee had as well as all the partners he had mentioned earlier. It had been a very successful event. Village Treasurer Krawczyk inquired if the tools would remain at the bike fix-it location. Trustee Keyes indicated that they were there now, and hopefully, it was in a good place that things would remain there. He knew that people had already used the station, and he hoped that this would encourage more people to ride bikes. Deputy Mayor Krieger reminded everyone if they ride bikes to be sure to wear a helmet. Trustee Keyes noted that some helmets had been given away as well, and this was usually part of the donation event. The Suffolk County Police had participated in order to promote bike safety.

Trustee Keyes asked the Board to approve removing a member of the Climate Smart Task Force.

Upon a motion by Trustee Keyes, seconded by Deputy Mayor Krieger, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval to remove Nick Rosenberg from the Climate Smart Task Force due to a change in residency.

Trustee Keyes asked the Board to approve appointing a member to the Climate Smart Task Force.

Upon a motion by Trustee Keyes, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and carried by majority with Trustee McHeffey abstaining and all others in favor, the Board granted approval to appoint Patrick McHeffey to the Climate Smart Task Force.

Trustee Keyes asked the Board to authorize the Mayor or Deputy Mayor to act on behalf of the Village of Patchogue in all matters pertaining to the Department of Army Permit for the Shorefront Shoreline Project.

Upon a motion by Trustee Keyes, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Mayor Pontieri or Deputy Mayor Krieger to act on behalf of the Village of Patchogue in all matters pertaining to the Department of Army Permit for the Shorefront Shoreline Project.

Mayor Pontieri indicated that this was supposedly the last permit that was needed in order for this project to begin. Potentially, it was due to start after Labor Day.

Trustee Keyes asked the Board to approve hiring a Recreation Aide.

Upon a motion by Trustee Keyes, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval to hire Angela AVECILLAS as a Recreation Aide at \$15 per hour.

Trustee Keyes asked the Board to approve an engineering design for the Beach Club out-of-district sewer connection. He noted that this was a huge step towards the eventual installation of a splash pad at the facility. It would also assist with the maintenance of the pool and make its operation more efficient. Trustee Keyes also indicated that a meeting would be held with the engineers shortly to discuss the plans for the splash pad, and everything was moving along well with that project. Optimistically, construction was planned to start in the fall to get it ready for next season.

Upon a motion by Trustee Keyes, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for H2M to complete the engineering design (plans, specs, and permitting) for the Beach Club out-of-district sewer connection for \$33,000 as specified in Table 3 of the Map and Plan for the Village Pool and Beach Club.

Trustee Ferb asked the Board to approve the annual 4th of July Parade.

Upon a motion by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Patchogue Lions Club to hold its annual 4th of July Parade with a rain date of July 9th at 10:30 a.m. with street closure from West Avenue to Rider Avenue between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Trustee McHeffey reviewed the Building and Housing report from April as follows: Building and Housing summonses issued – 1; plumbing permits issued – 3; building permits issued – 8; demo permits issued – 0; rental permits issued – 11; notices of violation – 17; complaints received - 12; illegal dwellings – 0; overcrowded properties – 0; Planning Board applications – 4; Zoning Board applications – 6; and ARB applications – 8.

Trustee McHeffey asked the Board to ratify prior approval for the Patchogue Garden Club to conduct landscaping work.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Patchogue Garden Club to conduct landscaping work on the site of the Patchogue Garden Club Community Garden on the corner of South Ocean Avenue and

Terry Street.

Trustee McHeffey asked the Board to approve use of the Community Garden by the Patchogue Garden Club for Garden Tour ticket sales.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, Board granted approval for the Patchogue Garden Club to use the Community Garden on July 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for Garden Tour ticket sales.

Trustee McHeffey asked the Board to approve the display of a banner on Main Street.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, Board granted approval for the Patchogue Garden Club to hang a banner on Main Street to promote the 20th Garden Tour.

Deputy Mayor Krieger inquired if the Highway Department had been contacted to make arrangements for this. Village Clerk Devlin stated that there was an internal process done involving an application and permission for such requests.

Trustee McHeffey asked the Board to approve the proposal from Spirit Ironworks to fabricate the Promenade of the Arts Archway.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the proposal from Spirit Ironworks to fabricate the Promenade of the Arts Archway in the sum of \$27,528.00 and to be installed in 2023.

Mayor Pontieri noted that the project was being funded by a Suffolk County Downtown Improvement Grant of \$27,528.00 and would be paid for using CDBG funds.

Trustee Ferb inquired as to where this would be located. Trustee McHeffey stated that it would be installed on the other end of the Promenade of the Arts. Mayor Pontieri indicated that it would be located on Main Street. Trustee McHeffey stated that the design was beautiful.

Trustee McHeffey asked the Board to approve a retirement.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval to accept the full service retirement of Carol Giglio, effective May 28, 2022, with regrets.

Trustee McHeffey indicated that Ms. Giglio was a huge part of the Building Department and had added so much to the Village's Planning and Zoning Boards through her years of service, in addition to being a huge help to him. She would be greatly missed. Mayor Pontieri stated that she had served the Village for 26 years.

Trustee McHeffey noted that Ms. Giglio had agreed to remain part-time in order to train her replacement and help to get the Building Department through their busy time of year.. He then asked the Board to approve re-hiring Ms. Giglio on a part-time basis.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval to re-hire Carol Giglio on a part-time basis, effective May 31, 2022, at a rate of \$43.05 per hour.

Trustee McHeffey asked the Board to approve an event.

Upon a motion by Trustee McHeffey, seconded by Trustee Carillo, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Plaza Cinema to hold an outdoor screening in the Artspace parking lot on the evening of June 25th pending approval of a Special Events Permit Application by the Coordinator of Special Events.

Trustee Ferb inquired as to what film would be shown. Village Clerk Devlin stated that she believed a special film festival was scheduled to be held that week dealing with peace and love, but she did not know the exact film that was planned to be shown.

Trustee McHeffey then noted that he believed the bike fix-it station was one of the first ones in Suffolk County.

Trustee Carillo stated that the NYS Secretary of State had visited the Village earlier in the day to discuss future grant opportunities for the living shoreline and other projects in Shorefront Park. It was nice to have him here to visit the Village. He had visited with Trustee Keyes, CDA Director Russo, and Mr. Kennedy as well. It was nice to have support from the State in wanting this project to move forward.

Trustee Carillo asked the Board to set a public hearing.

Upon a motion by Trustee Carillo, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board set a public hearing for June 13, 2022 to Amend Sections 365-23 (B) and 365-24 of the Village Code and to add Article V to Chapter 365 of the Village Code to change the requirements for obtaining a commercial dumpster license, to amend the requirements for dumpster and compactor plans, and to add penalties for unlawful dumping of waste.

Trustee Carillo asked the Board to approve an event held by Betterman Distilling Company.

Upon a motion by Trustee Carillo, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Betterman Distilling Company's Special Event application to hold their Vegan and Art Pop-up event on Saturday, June 11th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Trustee Carillo asked the Board to approve the Homecoming Parade for Patchogue-Medford High School.

Upon a motion by Trustee Carillo, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Patchogue-Medford High School to hold the annual Homecoming Parade on Main Street from the Four Corners to Rider Avenue on Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Trustee Carillo asked the Board to approve outdoor church services.

Upon a motion by Trustee Carillo, seconded by Trustee Ferb, and unanimously carried, the Board granted approval for the Iglesia Pentecostal Ministries Puertas Abiertas to hold an outdoor church service in their parking lot at 145 Waverly Avenue on Sunday, May 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and Sunday, June 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Pontieri asked if anyone from the public wished to be heard.

John Bogack, Noxon Street, stepped forward. Deputy Mayor Krieger indicated that the Board had set a public hearing earlier in the evening for June 13th to consider "No Parking, Standing, or Stopping" on the south side of Baker Place. Mr. Bogack thanked him for the information, and then inquired if any review had been done with regard to the traffic situation at the corner of Division Street and River Avenue. Mayor Pontieri noted that this area had been assessed by the Suffolk County Police Department about a year ago. Mr. Bogack inquired if it could be looked at again. Mayor Pontieri indicated that the police had not found any issues there. Village Attorney Egan concurred that the accident figures at that corner had been surprisingly low. Mr. Bogack expressed that he felt the corner was still problematic. He noted that he had started an initiative to bring the residents of River Avenue together, and hopefully, this would determine if anyone other than himself had an issue with this location. Deputy Mayor Krieger indicated that he always encouraged residents to bring their concerns to the Board.

Mr. Bogack then noted that there were cameras located at some traffic lights in Suffolk County to record traffic transgressions. He inquired if only the County could use such devices or if the Village could as well. Mayor Pontieri stated that the Village was exempted from using those devices. Mr. Bogack inquired if license plate readers could be utilized by the Village. Mayor Pontieri indicated that this activity was assigned to the Suffolk County Police Department since the Village did not have its own police force. Village Attorney Egan concurred that this would be a question for the police but also inquired as to what would be done with the data collected. Mr. Bogack suggested that having a license plate reader would help identify what vehicles were

in the Village at a particular time, especially since there had been several incidents that involved people committing crimes and leaving quickly in vehicles. Mayor Pontieri noted that Freeport had much success with this, and individuals who had committed crimes in other locations had even been found due to this technology. He felt that it could be a tremendous asset, but this would be a Suffolk County Police Department decision. Trustee Ferb inquired if this would be used to read the license plates of cars entering the Village. Mr. Bogack reiterated that it could help find people who commit crimes such as assault and then leave in a vehicle. A license plate reader would at least let the police know what vehicles were in the Village at that particular time. Mayor Pontieri noted that the mayor of Freeport was very positive about its use there. He also felt that it be a deterrent for criminals not to come in as well. Trustee Ferb indicated that the Town of Brookhaven had mobile license plate readers in their code enforcement vehicles to check for parking permits. Deputy Mayor Krieger indicated that this was only used for parking violations. Mr. Bogack indicated that he could go to the next community police meeting and make this recommendation. Trustee Ferb suggested that Mr. Bogack meet with him as well.

Mr. Bogack then noted that he had observed a Verizon FIOS truck on River Avenue earlier in the day. He inquired if they had approached the Village with a franchise contract proposal. Mayor Pontieri stated that they had not. Trustee Ferb indicated that he had heard that Verizon did not intend to build out FIOS in Suffolk County. Mr. Bogack noted that he had spoken with the individual he had seen this morning and been informed that Verizon could provide telephone and internet services here but no cable yet, but he believed that they were coming to the Village. Trustee Ferb asked for verification that FIOS could not be installed in the Village without a franchise agreement in place. Village Attorney Egan stated that this was correct. Mayor Pontieri inquired if they would wire up individual villages in the Town versus the entire Town. Village Attorney Egan indicated that he believed they would; however, the issue that had previously occurred was that they did not want to wire the entire Village. This was not acceptable to the Village Board at that time. Mr. Bogack noted that he had not asked the individual if they were coming to every street in the Village, but he had indicated that they were planning to go through most of the Village. Hopefully, this would bring more revenue into the Village which could help with getting historical records digitalized.

Richard Kemp, Jennings Avenue, noted that the last time he had attended a meeting was on April 11th. He indicated that he had listened to a lot of comments made that evening that were untrue and very misleading. Mr. Kemp continued by noting that he had taken issue with Mr. Bogack's comments about the confederacy including the use of terms such as treason, disunity, disloyalty, stars and bars, January 6th, and slavery. He felt that at least 75% of these statements were untrue. Mr. Kemp indicated that that not one Confederate officer or soldier was every convicted of treason. Second, the Confederate states were united and had the legal right to separate from the Union by the fact that the states of Rhode Island, New York, and Virginia demanded the right of secession many years prior to the Civil War. By those three states demanding this right, it guaranteed the right to all states, so the comment about disunity was entirely wrong. As far as the comment about disloyalty, he felt that there was more disloyalty going on now in the Village of Patchogue with businesses openly displaying flags of other countries with no sign of an American flag in sight. He indicated that he was referring to Attorney Keegan's office on North Ocean Avenue and stated that he had sent him a letter about this issue some time ago. Deputy Mayor Krieger indicated that he believed that the flag in question was flown for some holiday such as St. Patrick's Day. Mr. Kemp then noted that there were also shamrocks painted on the sidewalk outside of the office in question and indicated that if he took that same action he would be accused of defacing public property. Village Attorney Egan stated that this was done for Mr. Keegan as an officially sanctioned honorarium as the chairman of the St. Patrick's Day parade committee and a past grand marshal. Mr. Kemp inquired if this was written in law somewhere. Village Attorney Egan stated that it was permitted by the discretion of the Superintendent of DPW. If the Superintendent of DPW took this action it was fine, but if a member of the public did so on his or her own, it would be considered defacing. Mr. Kemp asked for confirmation that this was done in a legal fashion, and Village Attorney Egan stated that it was.

Mayor Pontieri inquired as to the point of Mr. Kemp's comments. Deputy Mayor Krieger also asked for the purpose of Mr. Kemp's remarks. Mr. Kemp stated that he had an application for a Special Event Permit before the Board, and he wanted the Board to rely on facts and not on incorrect statements before rendering a decision on that permit. Village Attorney Egan indicated that the individual who had made the remarks that Mr. Kemp took umbrage with was not a voting member of the Board. When the Special Event Permit application was completed, the

Village Clerk would bring it before the Board for a vote. Mayor Pontieri observed that inaccurate statements were probably made at almost every Board meeting, and he did not see the point of Mr. Kemp presenting his case for a permit approval by attacking someone else. He stressed that Mr. Kemp should present his case when his application came before the Board for approval and not be concerned with the comments of someone from the public. Mayor Pontieri and Deputy Mayor Krieger asked Mr. Kemp to move on.

Village Clerk Devlin stated that she and Village Attorney Egan were waiting to receive some documents to complete the application in question. One was a letter from the non-profit organization that he was a part of stating that he was acting as their agent on their behalf. The Village also needed a site plan, and approval of the property owner stating that he was not planning on using any portion of the property owned by the church. She would also need a Certificate of Insurance from the organization that he was representing. Mr. Kemp inquired if a vote could be taken pending receipt of these documents. Village Attorney Egan stated that the Board did not vote on partial applications. Mr. Kemp indicated that he had already stated that he expected to receive opposition to the application. Village Attorney Egan indicated that people were entitled to their own opinions, and he noted that he was not a voting member of the Board. Village Clerk Devlin stated that the Board only voted to hold the date for an event. Village Attorney Egan stated that this proposed event was not an official event nor would it be sponsored by the Village of Patchogue. The vote would be to approve the date and allow the Special Permit application to proceed. Mr. Kemp then expressed concern about Village Attorney Egan's comments at the April 11th Board meeting which he felt were awful. Deputy Mayor Krieger asked Mr. Kemp to proceed more quickly since there were others at the meeting who had business to attend to. He indicated that he doubted that Mr. Kemp would change his or any else's mind about the Confederacy because he wanted to hold an event. Deputy Mayor Krieger indicated that the Special Event application had to be completed and to be submitted for the Board to approve. Mr. Kemp again expressed concern about Village Attorney Egan's comments at the past Board meeting whereby he stated that he had demanded the Special Event permit which was not true. Village Attorney Egan stated that he had demanded the permit. Mr. Kemp indicated that he had demanded that the Village of Patchogue's laws be followed with regard to public nuisances and discharge of firearms which the Village Attorney had admitted were not being followed for quite some time. Village Attorney Egan stated that context mattered when considering statements made, and he would not retract what he was now going to say. That context of firearms discharge, public nuisances, and special events were carried on by organized veterans' organizations in the Village of Patchogue. This Board had historically decided that they were not going to exercise the Special Event Permit requirement for those veterans' organizations based on their honorable service to this country. Mr. Kemp had correctly pointed out to him that the Village of Patchogue should be more careful and stringent in enforcing these laws against veterans' organizations, and thanks to Mr. Kemp's attention to this matter, all veterans' organizations were now being subject to the requirement of Special Event Permits.

Mr. Kemp then noted that he had been researching a missing headstone in the cemetery for a Civil War soldier for about two years. Within the past week, he had learned of a living ancestor in Florida who knew the history of this individual and was prepared to submit affidavits and statements as required to obtain a military issued headstone which was presently missing. Next, he expressed concern about the vandalism occurring at the cemetery. Mr. Kemp indicated that he had contacted Councilman Foley's office about placing some type of security cameras in the Waverly Avenue Cemetery. His aide had noted that there were jurisdictional issues between the Town and the Village. It seemed that the more the cemetery was cleaned up the more headstones were broken and damaged, including newer military issued ones. Trustee Ferb stated that he was on the board of the Friends of Lakeview Cemetery and had never heard anything about this problem. Mr. Kemp suggested that he speak with Marion Russo and Ralph Wright who were both fully aware of the issue. Trustee Ferb indicated that he appreciated his concern, but this was not a matter for the Village Board since the Village did not have any association with that cemetery. The cemetery was under jurisdiction of the Town and St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Mr. Kemp stated that his concern was the jurisdictional issue between the Town and the Village. Trustee Ferb indicated that State statute assigned the rights to abandoned cemeteries to the Town. Mr. Kemp noted that he believed that the Town simply needed an okay from the Village to place some security cameras in the cemetery. Trustee Ferb indicated that he would be glad to speak with Councilman Foley about this issue, but he also noted that he had been involved with the BID with the installation of cameras throughout the Village. It was not easy to install cameras as there had to be electricity and internet connectivity readily available for the cameras

to be effective.

Mike Cipilino, 30 Starboard Lane in Fairfield on the Bay, stated that he appreciated the Board's hard work. Patchogue was a beautiful place to live with a lot of activity, and it was impressive that caring for the environment was important to the Board. As he lived in an apartment complex, he could not recycle there, so he did take advantage of the every other week availability of the Village's recycling center. Mr. Cipilino then inquired if the Village could consider other options for those who did not have the ability to place recycling curb side on a weekly basis. He had some suggestions to offer, and he also would like the opportunity to speak with a trustee regarding some of his interactions with the DPW staff working at the recycling center on Saturdays. Trustee Keyes stated that he would give him his card to contact him to discuss the recycling suggestions. Mayor Pontieri commented that garbage and recycling services had been organized in the past based on single family homes being the majority of properties in the Village. Due to increased numbers of multi-family dwellings, perhaps this needed to be reviewed. Mayor Pontieri suggested that larger containers could be placed on these types of properties that could then be collected by the Village. Mr. Cipilino indicated that this would be very helpful to residents such as himself. Deputy Mayor Krieger also provided him with his contact information to discuss the staff interaction issues he had experienced.

Dennis Ross, 17 Lager Lane, inquired if there were any Village laws with regard to food trucks. Village Clerk Devlin noted that there were code requirements adopted in April 2021 with regard to food trucks. These dealt with the use of them on the private property of existing restaurants. Mr. Ross asked whether the trucks operating on the streets on the weekends were governed by the Village. Trustee McHeffey inquired as to which ones he was referring to. Mr. Ross indicated that there were a couple down by the beach this past weekend. Village Clerk Devlin stated that she would speak with Peter Sarich about this issue. Mr. Ross inquired if the truck would receive a sticker if they were approved by the Village. Village Clerk Devlin indicated that they would receive a permit from the Village to display rather than a sticker. Trustee Ferb inquired as to what the trucks were serving. Mr. Ross stated that one was a taco truck and the other was serving cheesesteaks. He noted that these had been located on the road near Corey Beach. Village Clerk Devlin stated that this was probably in the Town as the Village boundary line was not close to that beach. Mr. Ross asked for confirmation that there was no way to determine if a food truck working inside the Village had been approved by the Village. Trustee McHeffey stated that a food truck governed by the Village Code ordinance would need to be located on the premises of the restaurant with which it was associated. Mr. Ross asked for confirmation that food trucks could not just operate on any street in the Village. Deputy Mayor Krieger stated that this was correct. Trustee Ferb noted that all of the food trucks at Chamber events were properly permitted.

Brian Neal from the Clifton offered a progress report on the last time he appeared before the Board. He had been trying to get in touch with Dawn Dicarluccio, one of the neighbors who had concerns, but had not been able to return her calls since had not left her contact information. However, he had received the messages she had left. Mr. Neal indicated that he had spoken with John Dalia, another neighbor. Mr. Dalia had a young individual run through his yard the other night and damage his fence which had resulted in police response. Mr. Neal noted that he had visited that property and repaired the fence himself. He had gotten three estimates for the awning for the patio as well as enclosure estimates for the front of the business. Mr. Neal stated that he had not made a decision yet since the three estimates were from one company based on different sizes. He needed to review what would work best financially and what would be the best layout for his security staff. The cones on the east side of Main Street on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday had been effective. He had spoken with one of the young code enforcement officers who used to ticket cars there and been informed that the cones had made a huge difference. He, code enforcement, and the neighbors seemed much happier with this situation. Mr. Neal noted that he continued to start closing procedures at 2:30 a.m. instead of 3:30 a.m. and had also purchased two noise meters, one for use down the block and the other for in front of the business. He or one of his security staff checked them on a regular basis throughout the night. Mr. Neal also noted that he had taken some video recordings which he would be happy to share with the Board, as requested, that document the times at 12:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. He then indicated that he was starting a non-profit, the Maple Avenue Foundation, which would be organized by his mother and the Clifton would not be associated with it at all. This would be used to improve the quality of life on Maple Avenue, Roe Avenue, and the surrounding areas. Once this paperwork was organized, he would provide it to the Board, so they would be

completely informed of his intentions. Most of the planned work would be beautification related, complimentary plowing of the sidewalks, and other quality of life issues. Mr. Neal also noted that he had attended the community Suffolk County Police meeting in order to be a better neighbor and more active member of the community.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Ferb, seconded by Trustee McHeffey, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

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Signed _____
Lori Devlin, Village Clerk