

MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD
August 18, 2015

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eastchester held on August 18, 2015 at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Hall, Eastchester, New York.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Anthony Colavita
Councilman Joseph Dooley
Councilman Luigi Marcoccia

Absent: Councilman Glenn Bellitto
Councilwoman Theresa Nicholson

Town Clerk Linda Laird
Town Attorney Louis Reda
Comptroller Dawn Donovan

IV. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

Library Board Member Patrick Murtaugh thanked the Town Board for supporting the project to replace the roof at the Eastchester Library and reminded the public of the upcoming 2nd Annual 5K Run to benefit the Library and the Eastchester Irish American Social Club/Eastchester Italian American Club Golf Outing to benefit each organization's scholarship fund.

V. APPOINTMENTS

A) APPOINTMENT – ASSISTANT PLANNER

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the provisional appointment of Michael Vernon to the position of Assistant Planner (CSEA Group VI, Step 2) at the annual salary of \$50,895 effective August 19, 2015.

Supervisor Colavita stated funds have been provided in the 2015 budget. Mr. Vernon understands that he must successfully pass the civil service exam for this position when it is given.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the July 14, 2015 Special Town Board Meeting and Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes as prepared by Town Clerk Linda Laird.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

VII. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A) POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Bonci reported Police Officer Robert Krause assisted an elderly resident from a house fire when he was the first to arrive on the scene on August 5th. The Chief also reported on several burglaries, including a car theft for which charges are pending and an arrest in connection with a gas station robbery. Calling the theft of items from unlocked cars a 'crime of opportunity,' the Chief reminded residents to lock cars parked in front of their homes and in driveways.

B) LAW DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER AND TROY & BANKS, INC. A UTILITY COMPANY SO THAT THEY MAY CONDUCT AN AUDIT OF THE TOWN'S GAS, ELECTRIC AND WATER UTILITY SERVICE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING REFUNDS AND COST REDUCTIONS

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve a **RESOLUTION** authorizing the Supervisor to execute and deliver an agreement between the Town of Eastchester and Troy & Banks, Inc., a utility company, so that they may be able to conduct an audit of the Town's gas, electric and water utility service accounts for the purpose of securing refunds and cost reductions.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF A CERTIORARI PROCEEDING BY THOMAS DELGUIDICE

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve a **RESOLUTION** authorizing the settlement of a certiorari proceeding instituted by Thomas DelGuidice affecting premises known as Section 32, Block 4, Lot 1 – 111 Lake Avenue, Tuckahoe, as follows

ASSESSMENT YEAR	TAX YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	PROPOSED SETTLEMENT	AMOUNT OF REDUCTION
2009	2010	\$23,200.00	\$18,250.00	\$4,950.00
2010	2011	\$23,200.00	\$19,650.00	\$3,550.00
2011	2012	\$23,200.00	\$18,850.00	\$4,350.00
2012	2013	\$23,200.00	\$18,850.00	\$4,350.00
2013	2014	\$23,200.00	\$19,000.00	\$4,200.00
2014	2015	\$23,200.00	\$18,000.00	\$5,200.00

Tuckahoe School Board Approved the Settlement
TOTAL TOWN TAX REFUND \$856.32

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

3. INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 2 – 2015 PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC CODE OF THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER ARTICLE III, PARKING , STANDING AND STOPPING PARKING, PARKING METER ZONES AND TO SET A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the **INTRODUCTION** of a proposed local law providing for the amendment to Local Law No. 3 – 2000, known as the Vehicle and Traffic Code of the Town of Eastchester, Article III, Parking, Standing, and Stopping, § 3-14: SubSection 8-23. Schedule XXIII: Parking Meter Zones, and to set a date for a public hearing for September 15, 2015.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 – 2015, A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF, THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC CODE OF THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER, ARTICLE III, PARKING, STANDING, AND STOPPING § 3-14: SubSection 8-23. SCHEDULE XXIII: PARKING METER ZONES

BE IT ENACTED by the town governing body of the Town of Eastchester as follows:

Section 1.

ARTICLE III, PARKING, STANDING, AND STOPPING; §3-14; SUBSECTION 8 - 23
SCHEDULE XXIII: Parking Meter Zones is Amended to ADD three (3) Parking Meters to the North Side of Prospect Avenue between White Plains Road to John R. Albanese Place, in addition to the already existing three (3) Parking Meters on the South Side of Prospect Avenue between White Plains Road to John R. Albanese Place, to read as follows:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Prospect Avenue	[South] <u>Both</u>	From White Plains Road to John R. Albanese Place

Section 2.

If any part or provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the town governing body of the Town of Eastchester hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

Section 3.

All Ordinances, Local Laws and parts thereof inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed.

Section 4.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State in accordance with section twenty-seven of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

4. INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 3- 2015 PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC CODE OF THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER ARTICLE III, PARKING, STANDING AND STOPPING, TIME LIMIT PARKING AND TO SET A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the INTRODUCTION of a proposed local law providing for the amendment to Local Law No. 3 – 2000, known as the Vehicle and Traffic Code of the Town of Eastchester, Article III, Parking, Standing, and Stopping, § 3-9: SubSection 8-18. Schedule XVIII: Time Limit Parking, and to set a date for a public hearing for September 15, 2015.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO.3 –2015, A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC CODE OF THE TOWN OF EASTCHESTER

ARTICLE III, PARKING, STANDING AND STOPPING § 3-9: SubSection 8-18.SCHEDULE XVIII: TIME LIMIT PARKING

BE IT ENACTED by the town governing body of the Town of Eastchester as follows:

Section 1.

§3-9 of ARTICLE III, PARKING, STANDING, AND STOPPING;
SUBSECTION 8-18. Schedule XVIII: Time Limit Parking is Amended to **ADD** the following:

Name of Street	Side	Time Limit Hours/Days	Location
<u>Park Avenue</u>	<u>West</u>	<u>4 hrs. 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.</u> <u>/All, Except Sundays And holidays</u>	<u>Between Lincoln Avenue</u> <u>And Stewart Avenue</u>

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C) HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT for July 2015 was received and filed.

D) BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT for July 2015 was received and filed.

E) RECEIVER OF TAXES REPORT for June and July 2015 was received and filed.

F) TOWN CLERK'S REPORT for June and July 2015 was received and filed.

Town Clerk Linda Laird reported the upcoming Primary Election will be held on Thursday, September 10th and the General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3rd.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

A) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: BUDGET TRANSFERS

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Colavita to approve the following Budget Transfers:

Youth Services

From:	Salaries P/T	A7310.102	\$ 3,050.00
To:	Contractual	A7310.450	\$ 3,050.00

Community Development

From:	Contractual	A8686.450	\$ 500.00
To:	Material & Supplies	A8686.401	\$ 500.00

Employee Benefits

From:	Unemployment	B9000 .805	\$ 800.00
To:	Welfare Plan	B9000 .807	\$ 800.00

From:	Health & Dental	D9000 .806	\$5,530.00
To:	Unemployment	D9000 .805	\$5,530.00

Building & Planning

From: Consulting Services B8020.458 \$1,000.00
To: Maint. & Repairs B3620.414 \$1,000.00

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

B) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: PART TIME/SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve the following list of Part-time and Seasonal Employees:

NAME	JOB TITLE	TYPE	RATE	EFFECTIVE DATE	**RATE CHG N-NEW R-RATE/ TITLE CHG
Cacciola, Mark	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$9.00	7/20/2015	Rate Change
Cunningham, Thomas	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$8.00	7/27/2015	New
Elson, Eric	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$11.00	6/29/2015	Rate Change
Gizzo, Dean	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$14.00	7/20/2015	Rate Change
Mancuso, Lea	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$8.50	6/29/2015	Rate Change
Nardini, Matthew	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$8.50	6/29/2015	Rate Change
Ortiz, Kayla	Parking Enforcement Officer	Part Time	\$16.00	8/19/2015	New
Napoli, Robert	Cleaner	Part Time	\$10.00	8/3/2015	New
Stevenson, Linnell	Cleaner	Part Time	\$12.00	8/19/2015	Rate Change
Cutrone, Nicholas	Recreation Attendant	Seasonal	\$8.00	8/19/2015	New
Ahern, Erin	Lifeguard	Seasonal	\$9.00	8/19/2015	New
Damiano, Tessa	Lifeguard	Seasonal	\$9.00	8/19/2015	New
Mair, Ethan	Lifeguard	Seasonal	\$9.00	8/19/2015	New
Ragone, Harrison	Lifeguard	Seasonal	\$9.00	8/19/2015	New
Summer, Breyton	Rec Attendant	Seasonal	\$8.00	8/19/2015	New

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

C) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: INFORMATION SYSTEM USAGE POLICY UPDATE

Per a request from Comptroller Donovan, Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve an update to the Information System Usage Policy to include the following:

Due to the drastic increase in phishing attacks using variants of the Cryptolocker / Cryptowall and other viruses' employees are not allowed to check their personal / home e-mail using the Town's computers. These viruses are especially damaging in network environments as they not only lock all files on the infected users machine but they also lock every file that the infected user has access to on the network. An infection of a user with high level access can affect thousands of files, including important database applications and take a day or more to clean and restore the systems and data to pre infection state. Any user who needs to access their personal / home e-mail during office hours can do so using their phones. Checking may take place during employee's breaks or lunch periods and should not interfere with the Town's business operations or with the user's ability to perform his or her job, interfere with the ability of other users to perform their jobs, expose the Town to liability or embarrassment, be for external political purpose or financial gain, or violate any Federal, State or Local laws or regulations.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman

Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

D) MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: RESOLUTION FOR FUNDING FROM NYS OFFICE OF THE AGING

Per a request from Comptroller Donovan, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve the following RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the New York State 2014-2015 enacted budget included funding for the provision of a 2% increase in annual salary and salary-related fringe benefit costs for Providers with Direct Care staff and Direct Support professionals effective January 1, 2015, and

WHEREAS, additionally, the statute provides for an additional 2% increase for these staff effective April 1, 2015, and

WHEREAS, the statute requires each provider to submit an attestation confirming that the funding increases will be used solely to support salary and salary-related fringe benefit increases, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Dawn Donovan, Town Comptroller be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to execute an attestation certifying that the State-aid funding for Direct Care Worker Program provided to The Town of Eastchester will be used solely to provide salary increases and salary-related fringe benefit increases for direct care staff and direct support professionals as defined by the Director of the New York State Office for the Aging.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

E. MEMORANDUM FROM COMPTROLLER RE: SEPARATION INCENTIVE

Supervisor Colavita reviewed a memo submitted by Comptroller Donovan in which she requests a separation incentive for 2015 be offered to eligible Town of Eastchester employees who meet the criteria of being age 55 or older with at least 10 years full time service with the town. The retirement incentive program would be \$750.00 for every year of full time service to the Town. Ms. Donovan noted the Town would reserve the right to deny a retirement based on department support levels and the continuity of Town services.

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve a RESOLUTION to offer eligible Town employees a separation incentive of \$750.00 for every year of full time service to the town.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

F) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS RE: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT B – TO CHANGE ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE FOR SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT 2014/2015 SNOW AND ICE SEASON

Due to the severity of the 2014/2015 winter season the estimated expenditure for the Snow and Ice Agreement is being amended to reflect additional plowing of state roadways during the winter season.

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION to approve and execute Amendment B, to revise the Estimated Expenditure of the Municipal Snow and Ice Agreement for the 2014/2015 snow season.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

G) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: EASTCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT USE OF TOWN OF EASTCHESTER FACILITIES

Per a request from Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Sally Veltidi, Councilman Dooley offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve the use, by the Eastchester School District, of the following facilities in the Town of Eastchester for the 2015-2016 Academic Year:

- Lake Isle Country Club Olympic Pool- Fall 2015 (pre-season use only)
- Leewood Tennis Courts- Fall 2015 and Spring 2016
- Leewood Field- Spring 2016
- Haindl Field- Fall 2015 and Spring 2016
- Lake Isle Golf Course – Spring 2016
- Dunwoodie Field- Spring 2016
- Saggese Field- Spring 2016

Details of exact times and days will be maintained by the Recreation Office. Certificates of insurance naming The Town of Eastchester, Lake Isle Country Club and GSP Management additionally insured have been submitted. Further, Lake Isle Management will post the times and dates that the Swim Team is using the lap lanes, so the membership is aware of the situation.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

H) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION RE: TUCKAHOE SCHOOL DISTRICT USE OF TOWN OF EASTCHESTER FACILITIES

This item was TABLED for a future meeting.

I) MEMORANDUM FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR RE: CONTRACT AWARD – 2015 EASTCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY ROOF REPLACEMENT

Supervisor Colavita reviewed a memo submitted by Library Director Tracy Wright in which she reports on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 11:15 a.m. seven (7) bids for the 2015 Eastchester Public Library Roof Replacement were opened and read aloud in the Office of the Town Clerk. The results are listed below.

The low bid was submitted by Milcon Construction Corporation of 142 Dale Street, West Babylon, NY 11704 for the cost of the bid for \$226,500.00. This bid was reviewed and is in accordance with contract specifications.

Councilman Marcoccia offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Dooley to approve a RESOLUTION to award the contract for the 2015 Eastchester Public Library Roof Replacement, as per the contract specifications, to Milcon Construction Corporation of 142 Dale Street, West Babylon, NY 11704 for the total amount of TWO HUNDRED TWENTY SIX THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED (\$226,500.00) and 00/100 Dollars.

	NAME OF VENDOR	TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID	5% Bid Bond
1.	Milcon Construction Corp. 142 Dale Street West Babylon, NY 11704 bklwlor@milconconstruction.com	\$226,500.00	X
2.	WB Contracting Corp. 19 Ise Street South Hackensack, NJ 07606 martinos@wbcontractingcorp.com	\$254,000.00	X
3.	Armor – Tite Construction Corp. 114 Pearl Street Port Chester, NY 10573 ldcody@aol.com	\$269,950.00	NO BID BOND
4.	J. Salvatore & Sons, Inc. 1187 Yonkers Avenue Yonkers, NY 10704 salvatoreandsons@verizon.net	\$295,000.00	X
5.	Precision Roofing, Inc. 22 Kerr Lane Southfields, NY 10975	\$318,000.00	X

6.	FC Cornerstone 1333A North Ave., Suite 286 New Rochelle, NY 10804	\$321,850.00	NO BID BOND
7.	NUA Construction 750 Saw Mill River Road Ardsey, NY 10502	\$372,000.00	X

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

J) MEMORANDUM FROM POLICE CHIEF RE: GRANT ACCEPTANCE

Per a request from Police Chief Bonci, Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to approve a RESOLUTION authorizing the acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$18,079 from the Lanza Family Foundation to be used for the purchase of Electronic Equipment, including a Body Camera Pilot Program, as well as a Police Vehicle Monitor System.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A) MEMORANDUM FROM SUPERVISOR RE: SEPTEMBER 2015 TOWN BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Colavita offered a motion that was seconded by Councilman Marcoccia to schedule a single Town Board Meeting for the month of September for September 15, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

On the roll call, Councilman Dooley, Councilman Marcoccia and Supervisor Colavita voted "AYE;" Councilman Bellitto and Councilwoman Nicholson were "ABSENT." Motion carried.

X. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Councilman Marcoccia announced Lake Isle is offering current members an early sign-up special for 2016. From August 17th thru Labor Day current members can renew their membership for 2016 for the same price paid in 2015.

Mr. Marcoccia announced the following upcoming events:

- 2nd Annual Eastchester 5K on September 29th,
- Tuckahoe Police Dinner on September 11th,
- LeRoy Gregory Post Annual Dinner honoring Vito Pinto on September 13th,
- Town Yardsale in the O'Rourke Parking Lot on September 20th,
- Eastchester Historical Society's – Evening with Be Franklin on September 18th

In closing Councilman Marcoccia congratulated the Lake Isle Swim Team for achieving first place championship status in Westchester County.

Councilman Dooley invited golfers to participate in the Eastchester Irish American Social Club/Eastchester Italian American Club Golf Outing, a Ryder Cup of sorts, to be held at Lake Isle on October 5th. The cost is \$175 per golfer with proceeds to benefit each organization's scholarship fund.

Mr. Dooley reported on the success of the summer recreation programs, including the largest camp season on record with just under 800 campers ranging in ages from 4 to 14 and 200 staff and volunteers from the Town of Eastchester. The camps would not have been possible without the cooperation of the Eastchester School District, Lake Isle Country Club, the Village of Tuckahoe and the Immaculate Conception Church and the use of their facilities.

In addition there were four very active sports leagues this summer in which 300 adult residents participated; Men's and Women's Softball, Men's Basketball and Flag Football.

In closing, Mr. Dooley thanked the sponsors of the Summer Sounds Concerts Series: Eastchester/Tuckahoe Chamber of Commerce, Supervisor Colavita and the Town Board, Cornell's True Value Hardware, Berkshire Hathaway Realty, Eastchester Youth Soccer Association, Westchester Choice Realty and the Garth Road Common Council.

Supervisor Colavita reported the Police Department Renovation Project will soon begin with the construction of a lounge and improvements to the locker room, weight room, gun room, and record room.

Supervisor Colavita explained the fiscal prudence over the years has led to a bump in the Town's Moody's rating, from Aa1, the second highest rating, to Aaa, because of the town's "ample reserves and financial flexibility." Moody's, which rates investors on the basis of risk and the borrower's ability to make interest payments, raised the town to the highest rating a municipality can receive, which in turn lowers interest rates when the town borrows money for tax certioraris and large-scale capital projects. Mr. Colavita stressed the importance of staying below the state-mandated tax cap levy during municipal budget seasons and keeping costs and spending down over the years

The Supervisor explained the 2016 Budget process has begun with the submission of departmental budgets. The Town Board has begun the review of the requests and is working with Comptroller Dawn Donovan in drafting a budget that does not exceed the state mandated tax levy cap of .7%

XI. SECOND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Jerry Frusciante, President of the Eastchester – Tuckahoe Senior Council asked for the schedule of returning the Senior Nutrition Center to Lake Isle from its temporary location of the Tuckahoe Community Center. Supervisor Colavita explained the return to Lake Isle would occur prior to the end of September and extended appreciation to the seniors for their patience.

Fred Moses congratulated the Town Board on the receiving the highest Moody's rating and reiterated his call for a re-write of the Zoning Code, the construction of a new facility for the Highway Department and construction of an "1000" senior housing units.

There being no further public comment the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by;

Linda Laird
Town Clerk