

MONROE TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

— 05/18/2020

MONROE TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA (Monday, May 18, 2020)

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Members present

Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilman - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

1. Motion to Open Town Board Meeting of May 18, 2020

Action (Resolution): 1.1 Motion to Open Town Board Meeting

2020-#241

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Town Board Meeting of May 18, 2020.

Motion by Sal Scancarello, second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilman - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

2. Call to Order

Discussion, Information, Procedural: 2.1 Pledge to the Flag

Information: 2.2 Moment of Silence

To view Supervisor Cardone's Moment of Silence for those who passed in recent weeks, please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #2.2, 3. Community Announcements

Information: 3.1 County Update & Update Regarding Town Operations During COVID-19

To hear Supervisor Cardone, and Board Members discussion regarding County, and Town Operation Updates during COVID-19, and Recognition please go on-line to Board doc's Video Clip #3.1, 4. Public Hearing

Action (Resolution), Discussion: 4.1 Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for the Proposed Amendment of Ch. 57 of the Town Code

2020-#242

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for the Proposed Amendment of Ch. 57 of the Town Code.

Motion by Mary Bingham, second by Mike McGinn.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilman - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

The following residents spoke on the ZOOM Video/Tele-Conference during Public Comment regarding the Continuation of the Proposed Amending of Ch. 57 of the Town Code. To hear their comments, and Board Members, and Counsel's comments, please go on-line to Board Docs Video Clip #4.1, 0:25:24.

- Lorraine Loening
- J.B. (Jacob Bickel)
- #031 (Ward Brower)
- #315 (Michele Dixler)

- Supervisor Cardone: Ok. Mr. McGinn, anything to, anything to add.

- Councilman McGinn: Nah, I think you know this is the, the Planner is, is, working on this you know to, to get to the, FGIS, and, and that's about it. So right now we're kind of on hold until we, we get to that point, and we'll take it, take it when it comes.

- Supervisor Cardone: Alright. Alright. That said, Brian anybody, anybody wanna comment?

- Counsel Nugent: Lorraine has her hand up, and then we also have nicely done who raised their hand off, and on about 40 times while we've been waiting. So, don't know who that is but we'll start with Lorraine. I'm gonna bring Lorraine in. Stop the screen share for a moment.

- Lorraine Loening: Ok.

- Counsel Nugent: Lorraine can you hear us?

- Lorraine Loening: Am I un-muted? I can (inaudible).

- Counsel Nugent: Yep. You're good. Go ahead. Yes we can.

- Lorraine Loening: (Inaudible). Excellent. I've been commenting about this for a while now, and I kinda went into it with an open mind cause there are parts of it I, I like. The green-space, and there's some environmental considerations that I think are positive. You know some of my reservations. The, the permanence of that green-space, the Administration of the workforce, and Senior Housing percentages, and you know, and I think that the Town is gonna get all the, the Tax Revenue, and the Village's are gonna get stuck with the burdens of you know traffic, and other things. But lately my biggest concern has been about the density of this housing. I listen to the Governor every day. Everyday, he tells me the density is the problem. Are we, or are you considering the wisdom of creating housing density, particularly Senior Housing density in the age of COVID? I know that this isn't going to go on forever hopefully, but right now would it be wise to, to pump the brakes maybe? When you look at where this is the biggest issue, it is in the City of Newburgh, or the City of Middletown, or our neighbors in the Town of Palm Tree, or New York City. Wherever there's dense housing this seems to be more of a, a safety concern. So I, I was just wondering if this has crossed any of your radar (inaudible) hmm, maybe this isn't the best time for this. Alright, thank you.

- Counsel Nugent: Thank you Lorraine.

- Councilman McGinn: I'll, I'll respond to that.
- Counsel Nugent: Just for those.
- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible)
- Counsel Nugent: That are in the Attendee list for.
- Supervisor Cardone: Brian, Brian, Councilman McGinn wants to respond.
- Councilman McGinn: I think we lost Mary for a second.
- Counsel Nugent: Yeah.
- Councilwoman Bingham: No, I'm still here.
- (Inaudible)
- Counsel Nugent: I think we all sort of froze there for a second so. Yeah, I got a lot of frozen screens.
- Councilman McGinn: Yeah (inaudible).
- (Inaudible)
- Counsel Nugent: Just a internet issue in Monroe area, but. (Inaudible)
- Councilman McGinn: Hey I'll, I'll respond to that. Lorraine are you still on or?
- Counsel Nugent: I can hear you (inaudible).
- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible) frozen Brian?
- Counsel Nugent: I think (inaudible) have been frozen, but I can hear. Just the image is freezing. I'm just checking the status of Optimum.
- Supervisor Cardone: Councilman McGinn go head.
- Councilman McGinn: So, so Ms. Loening, I mean one of the things with, with this, with, with this potential zoning is that you know we're, we're looking at anything that would be built as a result of it but is, is you know several years down the road. So, you're right that you know COVID is, is around now, but you know in a couple of years hopefully it won't be or there'll be treatments, and vaccines, and things like that. Listen, a lot of this is, is market driven, and, and it's what, and it's the type of housing that people are looking for, you know. Seniors typically speaking you know they're in Senior Apartments or, or low maintenance you know multi, you know multi unit housing because that works well for them. You know. And I don't, so I don't, I don't see it as being something if we can go back to having suburban sprawl, and having it go through the whole, through all the, through all the open lots. But I, I don't think anyone wants that. I think you know this is strikes a great balance between density, and open space, and. So yeah I mean listen, we, we've thought about it, but I think in the long term it's not gonna be something that we, that we should be as concerned about.
- Supervisor Cardone: Anyone else?
- Counsel Nugent: Alright so just for those that are attending, and listening, and you wanna speak, if you're on a computer or I-Phone you can click on the raise hand button if you would like to speak. You know if you're on an i-Phone, or an I-Pad, there'll be three dots, and on your screen somewhere if you click on that, you'll see a raise hand option. So the next person I see raise their hand is J.B. I do have one caller so we can go to them just to see if they have any comments in a moment. Last three digits 031. So bringing J.B. in. J.B. you'll have to un-mute

yourself if you want to speak. Alright.

- (Inaudible)

- Counsel Nugent: Can you hear us?

- J.B. (Jacob Bickel): This is Jacob Bickel.

- Counsel Nugent: Hello Jacob. Go ahead. You're on.

- Jacob Bickel: Hi. I want to speak about Old Country Road. Is that the time or a little later?

- Supervisor Cardone: No, Jacob. No. We're, we're not on Old Country Road. We're in Public Hearing.

- Jacob Bickel: Sorry.

- Supervisor Cardone: You have to wait till the.

- Jacob Bickel: I apologize.

- Supervisor Cardone: Till that comes up.

- Jacob Bickel: Thank you.

- Counsel Nugent: No problem, and Jacob you wanna.

- Councilman McGinn: It's the next one. (Inaudible) in a few minutes.

- Counsel Nugent: Jacob, you do wanna speak for that right so I'll, I'll just bring you back for that ok?

- Jacob Bickel: Thank you. Yeah.

- Counsel Nugent: Alright thank you.

- Supervisor Cardone: Thanks.

- Counsel Nugent: And I just have one phone that I'm going to bring them in just to see. Last three digits 031. Can you hear us caller?

- #031 (Ward Brower): Ward Brower, private citizen.

- Counsel Nugent: Hey Ward, how are you? Did you want to comment on Ch. 57 Public Hearing?

- Ward Brower: The only comment I have is then dovetail with Lorraine, and that is on the, on density. High density we're talking about. I just (inaudible) like to have it where it's a maximum number (inaudible) you can do the SEQRA properly. As it's been in the past, there's no maximum number. You, you, you do your data for x number of, of residents, and then that can be exceeded. The problem with that is the infrastructure often doesn't cooperate with that. That's why (inaudible) it should be a, it should be a, a maximum number not to exceed basis. Whatever that number is. Then you can, then you can do your science. Without that this is all (inaudible). If we can have numbers that have no meaning or no limitation I should say. That's it.

- Supervisor Cardone: Ward, are you.

- (Inaudible)

- Councilwoman Bingham: Ward you're.

- (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Ward (inaudible) speaking about maximum number? I just want to ask him one more question Mike.

- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Ward, are you speaking about numbers of units, or numbers of people?

- Ward Brower: Well ya gotta, it's Tony it has to get down to really it's not the units. It's the people in the units that effect the water capacity, effect the sewer capacity, effect the traffic. That's the number ya need. The trouble (inaudible) in the past, we used bedroom counts, whatever, unit counts, but they can, they, they're meaningless in that's under certain families there mean one number. Another type of family they're another numbers. So, you can't do your infrastructure with that kind of vague input. You need to nail that down. Then you can do the science. Then you can apply, you can conform to what's SEQRA was initially designed for, and that is to supply the infrastructure for the, for the proposed building. That's really what SEQRA's all about. And then we never run into problems. We're always running short of infrastructure.

- Councilman McGinn: Well, well listen. Ward, just a couple of quick things. The unit count is, is you know, that is based on science, and also the bedroom count is based on science.

- Ward Brower: But it.

- Councilman McGinn: And the square foot units, let me just finish, that's based on science. So all those things really dictate how many people are gonna be, say it's an 1,100 square foot, two bedroom apartment. Well listen, there's only so many people you can fit in that. You know what I mean? It's not you know, you're, you're talking about having you know a rental company or, or, or a building management company that isn't gonna allow you know eighteen people to move into a two bedroom apartment. That's just not you know, that's just not how you're gonna do it. And, and you know its, there, there's no where else that I know of, you know that, that, you know they look at a total development. It's never been done in SEQRA. Where they look at a total development, and say only 1,300 people are allowed in this whole development. It just. It just doesn't.

- Ward Brower: (Inaudible) I agree 100%. I'm with ya. That it's never been done before, and that's why we had certain communities always running out of water, and sewer. They do a SEQRA, but the SEQRA is not adequate. When these numbers are still vague, they can vary. You (inaudible) design a, a dwelling for x number of residents in a family. But then that, that person or family is perfectly, legally can sell that to another family which has density (inaudible) which exceeds the whatever you plan for, cause it, it's not nailed down. That's the problem with it. That's why SEQRA doesn't really can't function. If they can get a concrete, the parameters are too vague. Need to change that system.

- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Well I don't think that's for us to do. I think that's at a, at a different level, and I don't, I don't even think it's constitutional.

- Ward Brower: Well it has (inaudible).

- Supervisor Cardone: You know, I can't see how you're gonna sell one house, and even say to that person yet alone a development, hey you're only allowed six people in this house. It.

- Ward Brower: Well here, yes you can, I believe you can. Beg to differ with ya. You don't do it in a (inaudible) manner that you're, you're inferring. You can only put six people. No. You tell

that developer or builder or whatever person happens to be, entity or whatever it is. Ok, tell me how many people do you want in your, what's the maximum number of people you want in your dwelling? Let them decide. But make sure that's the maximum parameter. You don't, you can't exceed that. Then, then the engineers can go to work. Then they can calculate it. (Inaudible) now, we can design it for one size family, and that family can turn around, and sell it to another size family, all perfectly legal, and then we end up with, we have to go back and retrofit infrastructure. And that hits the existing rate payers really hard because it's not their fault. Now they're paying, and it, when, whenever you do any kind of retrofitting, it's always more time consuming, expensive, and not efficient. The parameters need to be changed.

- Councilman McGinn: Well.

- Ward Brower: And ya gotta start somewhere. Thank you.

- Councilman McGinn: Well Ward, Ward, just, just, just again real quick, the parameters of, of bedroom count, and apartment size, or dwelling size which generally has not been done, is something that we introduced, and, and made sure that, that was part of this plan are important. And, and as far as you know restrictions that would be placed, you know that's not the developer. The developer builds the property. That's, that's an HOA, or, or building management outfit that would, that would place those restrictions on, on renters or, or owners. That's really where that, where that would get done. So, ya know, I know what you're saying, and, and ya know the, the, listen the infrastructure is, is based on, on science. It's not you know (inaudible).

- Ward Brower: Well the trouble is the parameters. They don't add up. They're not consistent. (Inaudible) goes on, I don't know how I can explain it any differently, but.

- Councilman McGinn: Well I mean, I look at my neighborhood here Ward. It's consistent. It was consistent when this (inaudible).

- Ward Brower: Yeah, it is. (Inaudible).

- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible) It's consistent now.

- Ward Brower: I agree with you Mike.

- Supervisor Cardone: Ward, let him, let, let Mike finish his story Ward.

- Councilman McGinn: Yeah, I mean it, I mean (inaudible) I know you're inferring about a subset, but that's not, that's not the whole of New York State, and that's not the whole of this Town, and you know we, we I think (inaudible) I don't think you can sit there. I think we're using the best models we possibly can to come up with the type of growth we want to see, and, and I mean other than that, I know you've said this a bunch of times, and, and we've gone back and forth on it but. For, I think we've done the best we can do to, to have this plan, and this zone developed in a way that would be best, beneficial to the Town. Most beneficial to the Town.

- Ward Brower: (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Alright, thank you Ward.

- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible)

- Ward Brower: And, and.

- Supervisor Cardone: Anything else?

- Ward Brower: In addition to that, we, we're seeing that throughout Monroe now as houses.
- (Inaudible)
- Ward Brower: Are being sold, and then they're being replaced with people with larger size families where it was never designed for that so you're just, that's, that's the problem. You're never, you're never dealing with the problem. If you had (inaudible) you know this structure designed for x number of occupants, period. Not to exceed basis. That's, that's the way it is. That's (inaudible) infrastructure, and if you wanna exceed the basis then, sup, sup, supply the scientific information. Ok, we have the infrastructure to support it, fine. I'm all for that, but the way it is now, people are perfectly, legally can sell their house to a whole nother set of parameters, and the bedroom counts are totally different. Really it doesn't, bedrooms don't create pollution. It's the number of people in there that create pollution. Create water demands, and create traffic. And that's.
- Supervisor Cardone: Alright.
- Ward Brower: That's in a nutshell. That's being realistic. Otherwise, we get these numbers that are meaningless.
- Councilman McGinn: They're not meaningless.
- Supervisor Cardone: Alright, listen Ward.
- Councilman McGinn: The numbers are very well grounded (inaudible).
- Ward Brower: (Inaudible)
- Councilman McGinn: The Zoning has been designed for this, for that we've come up with (inaudible).
- Ward Brower: (Inaudible)
- Councilman McGinn: Listen, you come from a large family right?
- Ward Brower: (Inaudible)
- Councilman McGinn: Just listen to me for a second. You, you come from a large family.
- Ward Brower: Sure.
- Councilman McGinn: Right? Right, so how, how many kids are in your family?
- Ward Brower: Yes I did.
- Councilman McGinn: Alright, so, so.
- Ward Brower: I had ten brothers, and sisters.
- Councilman McGinn: Listen, if your parents.
- Supervisor Cardone: I don't think he.
- Councilman McGinn: Well, that's a good sized family right? So, I mean if you, if you lived in a.
- Ward Brower: (Inaudible)
- Councilman McGinn: Neighborhood where your house couldn't support that, or where there was an HOA that said, hey the maximum.
- Ward Brower: My house (inaudible) support it. That's a fact.
- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible) apartment.
- Ward Brower: Our well was always going dry.

- Councilman McGinn: Yeah, well.
- Ward Brower: The septic tank was always being pumped. It didn't support it, and there was no regulation (inaudible).
- Councilman McGinn: Well.
- Ward Brower: You couldn't do anything about it. So, (inaudible) illegal. Just it never, the infrastructure never supported it. That's my problem.
- Supervisor Cardone: Listen, listen, we can go, we can go back and forth here.
- Councilman McGinn: Hey Ward, we can go round, and round (inaudible).
- Supervisor Cardone: Mike has made his point.
- Councilman McGinn: But I think (inaudible).
- Supervisor Cardone: Let's, let's move on. Ok.
- Counsel Nugent: (Inaudible). Ward.
- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible)
- Counsel Nugent: Do you want to come in on any of the other Public Hearings while I have you?
- Supervisor Cardone: Thank you Ward.
- Counsel Nugent: Yeah Ward, Ward while I have you.
- Ward Brower: Yeah.
- Counsel Nugent: Did you wanna come in on any of the other Public Hearings?
- Ward Brower: Yes, on Article XIV.
- Counsel Nugent: (Inaudible) Ok, so I'll bring you back for that one. Thank you. Ok, we do have one other caller who came on since, so I'll just bring in last three digits are 315. Call last three, 315 did you wanna comment on Ch. 57?
- #315 (Michele Dixler): No, I did not.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok, thank you.
- Supervisor Cardone: That's Michele Dixler. Make sure she comes in for Old Country Road Brian.
- Counsel Nugent: Alright, no one else has the electronic hand raised. Yeah, I actually have Michele also with a name on the computer, or maybe she's using that for audio so we don't have a problem. So that's it with hand raises, and phones for that Public Hearing. Again, anybody listening during the Hearings, or when we get to Public Comment, if you're on a device (inaudible) computer or an I-Phone, click on the raise hand if you wish to speak, and Supervisor we can move on.

Action (Resolution), Discussion: 4.2 Possible Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for the Proposed Amendment of Ch. 57 of the Town Code

2020-#243

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for the Proposed Amendment of Ch. 57 of the Town

Code until June 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or soon there-after.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilman - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution), Information: 4.3 Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing Regarding Old Country Road WD

2020-#244

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Public Hearing Regarding the Continuation of Old Country Road WD.

Motion by Mary Bingham, second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilman - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

The following residents spoke on the ZOOM Video/Tele-Conference during Public Comment regarding the Public Hearing for the Continuation of Old Country Road WD. To hear their comments, and Board Members, and Counsel's responses please go on-line to Board Docs Video Clip #4.3, 0:44:34.

- Michele Dixler
- Jacob Bickel
- Rain (Nelsey's daughter)
- Nelsey
- Lieby Bickel

- Supervisor Cardone: So Brian, and I had some back, and forth. Well Brian really had some back, and forth with Howard Protter from KJ waters, representing KJ Water District. Some of the changes were made in the Amendment but they weren't red lined, so Brian's actually, trying to configure how, how those changes were made. I believe Howard was going to send you Brian another copy?

- Counsel Nugent: Yeah so, what happened was (inaudible) they made some changes. It wasn't clear what changes were made, and they re, rearranged paragraphs, and those changes weren't indicated, so I asked him to send me an Agreement that actually shows all the changes that were made. The last email I saw we had asked his Assistant if she could do that. So we haven't received anything since that. That was late today.

- Supervisor Cardone: Ok.

- Counsel Nugent: I.

- Supervisor Cardone: Right.
- Counsel Nugent: Do you want me to see if.
- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible)
- Counsel Nugent: Anybody wants to come in on this one?
- Supervisor Cardone: Well you know Jacob does, and I believe Michele would too.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok, so I think Michele is here on the phone, so I will bring Michele in on Old Country Road to see if she would like to speak. Michele can yo hear me?
- Michele Dixler: Yes I can. I figured I'll go back to the phone because the, the little microphone wasn't showin up on the computer.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok good well.
- Michele Dixler: Anyway.
- Counsel Nugent: Glad you figured it out. (Laughter)
- Michele Dixler: Ok. Right. Well, yeah so we'll talk on the phone. Anyway, thank you for recognizing me. I live at 45 Old Country Road, and I did receive notification from KJ today along I believe with the Town of Monroe that houses without water will be hooked up soon, and that others will be hooked up at a later date. Do we have any dates for these things?
- Supervisor Cardone: Dates for?
- Michele Dixler: For when the hook-ups will start. They say.
- Supervisor Cardone: That's.
- Michele Dixler: Soon. They've been sayin that for a while.
- Supervisor Cardone: That's un, unfortunately Michele, I wish we could answer you on that, but that's, that doesn't fall under us. That falls under KJ Water, and the Contractor, and.
- Michele Dixler: Ah, ha.
- Supervisor Cardone: I did, I did email the Contractor, the, the Engineer, and the DEC today. I believe you were CC'd on it.
- Michele Dixler: Yes.
- Supervisor Cardone: Just to try to get, get, get an answer for Lieby who had an issue I think with a tenant.
- Michele Dixler: Yeah. There was an issue.
- Supervisor Cardone: And.
- Michele Dixler: This man is running out of water at number 38. He has run out of water several times, and I think probably Mr. Bickel will speak more about that.
- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible)
- Michele Dixler: But, it's you know a real problem. So, we're just, and we'll, will we be getting a copy of the Intermunicipal Agreement eventually?
- Supervisor Cardone: Once it's finalized I told, I promised you will get a copy, and you will.
- Michele Dixler: Ok. Ok, great. Thank you.
- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible)
- Michele Dixler: And thanks for all your help. We're just waiting. I don't know whether to celebrate or not. (Laughter)

- Supervisor Cardone: Be, be patient. I know it's been a long, and arguous road, and we'll hopefully get this accomplished soon.

- Michele Dixler: Ok.

- Counsel Nugent: Thank.

- Michele Dixler: Thank you.

- Counsel Nugent: Thank you Michele, and yeah the Agreement should be done soon so we'll have that out once it's done. Thank you.

- Michele Dixler: (Inaudible)

- Counsel Nugent: We'll move on.

- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible) Bryan. Bryan, I wanted to make one point. So when I had emailed WSP I, I was a little disturbed at the response that was given to Mr. Bickel. He was told he wouldn't be hooked up until the IMA was completed. And I don't, I don't know if they were talking about (inaudible) the Agreement with us, and KJ or they might have been talking about an Agreement with the Homeowner, but I would think the Homeowner's have already signed all that, but.

- Counsel Nugent: Yeah, and an IMA wouldn't be, I mean if they used that term especially that's Inter Municipal Agreement, so that.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah.

- Counsel Nugent: Would not be any Agreement between the Village, and the Homeowner's, and you know it shouldn't be holding it up. I mean we've, we've been waiting almost two months for a response from the Village on the IMA to say it was good or not good, and then we got the recent response with the changes for the paragraphs so you know it'd be an (inaudible) thing for the Village to say that when we've been holding it up for two months waiting.

- Supervisor Cardone: Well wasn't, it wasn't the Village. It was the Engineer.

- Counsel Nugent: The Engineer that said that.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah.

- Counsel Nugent: Yeah, I'm just saying either way they shouldn't be holding the hook-up based on the IMA when then the Town's been waiting for the IMA for two months for those changes but. So do you want me to bring in, I don't know if we have any other hands raised, but I know we have Jacob on, Lieby Bickel's on.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah, you could bring, you know bring both of them on.

- Counsel Nugent: Ok. If anybody else does want to speak just use the electronic raise hand button. I will bring in Jacob, and see if we can un-mute him. Jacob can you hear us?

- Jacob Bickel: Yes.

- Counsel Nugent: Did you want to speak on Old Country Road?

- Jacob Bickel: Yes.

- Counsel Nugent: Alright, you're on. We can hear you.

- Jacob Bickel: Hi. Good evening. Good evening everybody, and good evening Tony. Thank you for your quick, and straight forward response today. I really appreciate that.

- Supervisor Cardone: No problem.
- Jacob Bickel: I just wanna need your guys help, because as of right now which is (inaudible) time in a house, people are need to bathe, and to shower. They have no water. We had problems previously in that place, and the next day they bought us a tanker on the property. But right now, they have no water, and (inaudible) time which means they run out daily. I didn't know until recently because he told me they were thinking they were going to be hooked up. They were suffering. They just washed with. So it comes to bathing, and they literally don't fill up how you call it, to bathe the kids. To don't fill it up because if they fill it up for a child there wouldn't be any water in the house. So this is going on, and every day they run out of water. So, I need your help to make sure that I would assume, and if you could do something for us tomorrow morning they should bring something to hook it up emergency. The family is suffering.
- Supervisor Cardone: Alright. I will, I, I will put another call into them. Hopefully they respond.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok. Thank you Jacob.
- Supervisor Cardone: Thanks a lot.
- Jacob Bickel: Thank you. I've seen today the positive response from the emails, but emails doesn't help them with water physically. I mean.
- Supervisor Cardone: I totally agree. Totally agree with ya.
- Jacob Bickel: (Inaudible) or a tractor or tractor trailer, (inaudible) either or.
- Supervisor Cardone: Ok.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok. Thank you Jacob.
- Jacob Bickel: Thanks so much.
- Supervisor Cardone: Alright. Thank you.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok. I have a hand raised. Nelsey is the name. I will bring Nelsey in. See if we can un-mute Nelsey. Can you.
- Rain (Nelsey's daughter): Hi. Yes we can hear you. This is actually her daughter. My name is Rain. Thank you guys for being here today. I'm here with my mom. Say hi.
- Nelsey: Hi. Good evening everybody.
- Supervisor Cardone: Hi Nelsey.
- Town Board Member: Good evening.
- Counsel Nugent: Good evening.
- Rain: So I just, I did want to raise my hand. What Mr. Bickel had said really kinda brought a lot of thoughts to me. You know I grew up in Monroe. My mother lives there. She lives at 24 Old Country Road, and the water issue has affected her tremendously. So I just wanted to voice that out there as well. Just to let you guys know that I, I agree with what Mr. Bickel has said, and I can relate to it heavily.
- Suprvisor Cardone: Ok. Is your is your mom hooked up yet?
- Rain: We're on the process of that.
- Supervisor Cardone: Ok. When you say.
- Rain: Thank you of asking.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah yeah no problem. When you say in the process where are you in the process?

- Nelsey: (Inaudible)

- Rain: Oh here. She can actually speak.

- Nelsey: Actually they went there to the house and believed (inaudible) Mr. (inaudible) Mike Shortell Group but he said that a Contractor would be going there and speaking to me but right now I'm not in the house. I'm with my daughter in Pennsylvania.

- Supervisor Cardone: Oh ok.

- Nelsey: Cause there is a problem there.

- Supervisor Cardone: So so here's here's here's what I would say to you know you Mr. Bickel or anyone else on that street. If if if there's a Contractor on sight please don't hesitate to either email myself or my Secretary Jen Schnaars at jschnaars@monroeny.org.

- Nelsey: Ah ha.

- Supervisor Cardone: And you know we will get out there immediately. You can also have my cell phone which is 845-637-6031 and just get a hold of me asap and I will immediately go out there. I just want to know there's a Contractor on site so I'll go out and speak to them.

- Rain: That would be really appreciated.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah no problem.

- Nelsey: Thank you for that Mr. Cardone. The thing was it was Neil Dwyer who was with that person. I believe I'm not sure if it was Mr. Shor Shortell was with him because they were asking me for the key to the house. That's when I know they were there.

- Supervisor Cardone: Ok. Alright.

- Nelsey: And I was.

- Supervisor Cardone: Alright yeah well listen our hands are tied somewhat but we can we can put a little bit of pressure on him and try to push things along.

- Rain: Ok. Thank you.

- Nelsey: Thank you so much.

- Supervisor Cardone: You're welcome. Thank you. You have a nice evening.

- Rain: You too.

- Supervisor Cardone: Anyone else there Brian? Oh Lieby.

- Counsel Nugent: I'm muted. Sorry I have Lieby here. Lieby can you hear us?

- Lieby Bickel: Yes. Can you hear me?

- Counsel Nugent: (Inaudible) you're on. Yep and everybody can hear you so go ahead.

- Lieby Bickel: Hi. Good evening. My name is Lieby Bickel 34 Old Country Road. Number one I really appreciate the help. Number one. Number two Mike Shortell with the Contractor was I believe it was two Friday's ago there was not (inaudible) about two weeks ago they was in my house. Mike Shortell and the Contractor. So number one is I did tell them to my side I (inaudible) comply with everything. I don't want to be any hold up. Any condition. This just (inaudible) my side. Today my father talked to Tom Cusack about coming in to start the process. Tom Cusack told my father that I have a hold. I have conditions and I have different

things to hold the project. It's not true. I (inaudible) any conditions that's gonna hold up anything with any process. Just about to build a story. I am complying and I I'm ready to and I not I not have any conditions to hold anything up. I just want to try to do it. but it's not true. That's number one. And number two just a question. I remember the last time they was talking about the service line should be one inch and I believe Mike Shortell talking about (inaudible) or 3/4 inch on the service line from the main water to the house. Beside that I have no comment. This is (inaudible) and I appreciate the help again.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yep. Alright thank you. Ok that's it Brian

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 4.4 Possible Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing Regarding Old Country Road WD

2020-#245

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing Regarding Old Country Road WD until June 1 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or immediately there-after.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Information: 4.5 Public Hearing Notice: Petition to Amend Zoning Ordinance Monroe Nininger LLC

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 4.6 Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing Regarding the Petition to Amend Zoning Ordinance Monroe Nininger LLC

2020-#246

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Public Hearing regarding the Petition to Amend Zoning Ordinance Monroe Nininger LLC.

Motion by Mike McGinn second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

The following residents spoke on the ZOOM Video/Tele-Conference during Public Comment regarding the Public Hearing for the Petition to Amend Zoning Ordinance Monroe Nininger LLC. To hear their comments and Board Members responses please go on-line to Board Docs Video Clip #4.6 0:57:39.

(NO RESIDENTS SPOKE DURING THIS TIME)

- Supervisor Cardone: Ok Brian we we're basically Tabling this because we're just waitin for the Planning Board correct?
- Counsel Nugent: That is correct. I mean there's no hands raised on this particular Public Hearing. It's going to be continued anyway while the Planning Board reviews the Amended request to Amend the Zoning.
- Supervisor Cardone: Ok. Alright so moved.

Action (Resolution) Information: 4.7 Possible Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing Regarding the Petition to Amend Zoning Ordinance Monroe Nininger LLC

2020-#247

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing Regarding the Petition to Amend Zoning Ordinance Monroe Nininger LLC until June 15 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or immediately there-after.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mike McGinn.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 4.8 Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Changes to Article XIV of the Town of Monroe Zoning Local Law

2020-#248

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Changes to Article XIV of the Town of Monroe Zoning Local Law.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mary Bingham.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

The following residents spoke on the ZOOM Video/Tele-Conference during Public Comment regarding the Continuation of the Public Hearing for the Proposed Changes to Article XIV of the Town of Monroe Zoning Local Law. To hear their comments Board Members and Counsel's responses please go on-line to Board Docs Video Clip #4.8 0:59:17.

- Ward Brower

- Supervisor Cardone: Alright Brian I know Ward was out there. Any other hands raised?
- Counsel Nugent: No other electronic hand raises but Ward did indicate he wanted to speak so I'm bringing him back in. Ward can you hear us?

- Ward Brower: Uh yes I can thank you.
- Counsel Nugent: Ok you're on.
- Ward Brower: Ok thank you. The question is this has almost been on the books for proposed books for about a year now. And I was wondering if you couldn't break out the Grandfather aspect of it and run that separately because it seems like the other aspect of that Code is slowing us down. There's a lot of homes that are affected when that Zoning changed from the builder's acre to a regular acre. The question is can it be you just cut that Grandfather clause and submit that as a separate law proposed law and move on.
- Counsel Nugent: I can speak to that Supervisor if you want.
- Supervisor Cardone: Go head.
- Counsel Nugent: I I understand the concept but I think the problem with that is would be that we can't you know by doing that we essentially have to introduce two laws which starts the process over with respect to referrals and review and other things so it probably at this point end up taking longer than letting I think (inaudible) Planning Board has this one right now Supervisor. I think they're reviewing this?
- Supervisor Cardone: No I think Max has it right?
- Counsel Nugent: I'm sorry. Yeah.
- Councilman McGinn: Yeah yeah Max Max (inaudible) he's just workin on the you know the DGIS and once that's done then he's gonna jump into this and and really the the Grandfathering is a major major part of it so it really it should be all you know done as one one law because it it's probably the largest you know component of it.
- Supervisor Cardone: Ok. Anything else Ward?
- Ward Brower: (Inaudible) just people that I talked to including my talking to myself it seems like this process has been really drawn out.
- Supervisor Cardone: You know what Ward I I'm not I'm not going to disagree with you but whether we draw it out or whether we pass it too fast we're we're always doing somethin wrong so.
- (Laughter)
- Supervisor Cardone: We're we're we're gonna be cautious with this and and and get it done because it's the right thing to do and you know as as Councilman McGinn said we wanna we wanna do it in conjunction you know and with with the CCR so (inaudible).
- Ward Brower: I understand the concerns you have. I also understand that Grandfather clauses have been around a long time. This is not really heavy legal work to do a Grandfather clause. That's my you know.
- Supervisor Cardone: Well I'll let I'll let Counsel comment on that.
- Counsel Nugent: Well the legal works.
- Ward Brower: Thank you.
- Counsel Nugent: The legal work is done. I mean it's drafted so it's under review by the Planner right now but you know the the legal part is done. I'll say at the end of the day I I think I always rather the Town be accused of giving far too much open process and lengths to

adoption of something than being accused of you know running it through really fast. This has been on for a while but in fairness we've also had the CCR Zone which has been a major project which you know has you know resulted in a Planner dedicating his resources to that and not being able to necessarily get to this. So it's not that this one is really taking so long so much as the CCR Zone has kinda taken away from it. I think it's what really happened.

- Ward Brower: Yeah that's my gut feeling. (Laughter) That's been prioritized in our favor.

- Counsel Nugent: That's probably true. (Laughter)

- Ward Brower: Thank you.

- (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Thank you very much.

- Counsel Nugent: (Inaudible). Thank you. Alright Supervisor that's it on that Public Hearing so if you want to move to the Motion to Continue.

- Supervisor Cardone: Ok.

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 4.9 Possible Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Changes to Article XIV of the Town of Monroe Zoning Local Law

2020-#249

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Changes to Article XIV of the Town of Monroe Zoning Local Law until June 1 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or immediately there-after.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

5. Audit of Claims

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 5.1 General Fund Abstract

2020-#250

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe requests approval of Abstract #20-16 General Fund containing Check #s 25604-25650 totaling \$547824.27 and Account Wires containing check #s 308-316 totaling \$327691.50. (Total Claims \$875515.77) providing there are three signatures.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mary Bingham.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 5.2 Escrow Abstract

2020-#251

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe requests approval of Abstract #20-06 Escrow containing Check #1910 totaling \$3000.00.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

6. Acceptance of Minutes

Action (Resolution): 6.1 Acceptance of May 4 2020 Minutes

2020-#252

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Accepts the Minutes of May 4 2020.

Motion by Sal Scancarello second by Supervisor -Tony Cardone.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

7. New Business

Discussion: 7.1 Solar Farm

To hear Supervisor Cardone Board Members and Counsel's discussion regarding the Solar Farm please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #7.1 1:07:32. 8. Old Business

Discussion Information: 8.1 Peddling and Solicitation Local Law

To hear Counsel Nugent and Board Members and discussion regarding Peddling and Solicitation Local Law please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #8.1 1:09:52.

Discussion Information: 8.2 Water District 12 Agreement (McGoey Hauser & Edsall)

To hear Supervisor Cardone and Counsel Nugent's discussion regarding Water District 12 Agreement (McGoey Hauser & Edsall) please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #8.2 1:14:24. 9. Public Comment

Information: 9.1 Rules for Public Comment

Discussion Information: 9.2 Public Comment

The following residents spoke on the ZOOM Video/Tele-Conference during Public Comment. To hear their comments and Town Board members responses go online to Board Doc's to Video Clip #9.2 1:17:06.

- Ward Brower
- Jacob Bickel (no comment)
- Lorraine Loening 10. Possible motion to adjourn to Executive and or/ Attorney Client Session

Action (Resolution) Information: 10.1 Enter into Executive Session

To hear Counsel Nugent and Town Board's comments regarding Entering into an Executive Session please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #10.0 1:24:10. **2020-#253**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe entered into an Executive Session to discuss a contract issue with a particular company and a personnel matter.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mary Bingham.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

11. Return to Regular Meeting

Action (Resolution) Information: 11.1 Return to Regular Meeting

2020-#254

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to return to regular session.

Motion by Mike McGinn second by Councilman - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

12. Possible Motion From the Floor

Action (Resolution) Information: 12.1 Consent Order of Judgement (Cromwell Hill Road)

2020-#255

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to authorize Counsel to sign a Consent Order of Judgement in a Cromwell Hill Road Tax Cert subject to an Attorney/Client Privilege Conference Call.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mike McGinn.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilman - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

13. Adjournment

Action (Resolution): 13.1 Adjournment of Meeting

2020-#256

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe adjourns the meeting of May 18 2020 at 9:00 p.m.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second NONE.

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