

A meeting of the Chili Town Board was held on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hendershott.

PRESENT: Councilman Powers, Councilwoman Ignatowski, Councilman Slattery, Councilwoman Sperr and Supervisor Hendershott.

ALSO PRESENT: J. Donald Faso, Deputy Supervisor; Richard Brongo, Town Clerk; Richard Stowe, Counsel for the Town; Eric Vail, Insurance Counselor; Joseph Lu, Engineer for the Town; Joseph Carr, Commissioner of Public Works/Superintendent of Highways; Dianne O'Meara, Director of Finance.

The invocation was given by Reverend David Votaw of the Parkminster Presbyterian Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited. The fire safety exits were identified for those present.

The Chili Art Group made the following presentation of a mural to the Town for the meeting room.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the Chili Art Group has done a mural to be on permanent display in the main meeting room at the Chili Town Hall. He stated also around the room are some pen and ink, some water color paintings that are provided by the Chili Art Group. Supervisor Hendershott stated they are here on a rotating basis in this room so that they have some beautiful artwork on display. He stated periodically they rotate that with new pieces of artwork so they have kind of a dynamic display in this main meeting room.

Supervisor Hendershott stated since the Chili Art Group was present this evening, he would like to thank them very much for providing them with that material, the members of the group. He stated it is a great asset to the Town to have that on display.

Supervisor Hendershott invited whoever was going to lead this presentation and unveiling on behalf of the Chili Art Group to come forward.

Matt Sinacola introduced himself as the Immediate Past President of the Chili Art Group. He stated this mural was kind of his doing. He stated he kind of spurred the group on a little bit about a year ago to try to come up with something that they could give to the Town as a little bit of a show of appreciation for the support the Town has shown their organization.

Mr. Sinacola stated he has been a member for a number of years. He stated they go back to 1961 when a group of founding members got together in Chili and brought the group together. He stated the Town has been very supportive both financially, as well as providing meeting space, as

well as display space. He stated they have their spring show right in this room. He stated so this was an effort to try to say to the Town thank you and in a way be a little bit risky and provide something that people could look at.

Mr. Sinacola stated the meeting room walls are a little blank sometimes. He stated not that that is a reflection on what goes on here, but it is rather institutional, and they thought that something like this would be of interest for people if they find the meeting not so interesting.

Mr. Sinacola stated in any event, a group of artists got together and went through a lot of ideas and in the end came up with what they will unveil tonight. He stated they would unveil it and let people think what they think.

Supervisor Hendershott stated maybe they would describe for everyone exactly what the mural is or

what it depicts or maybe a little bit more in detail. Mr. Sinacola stated he was so afraid they were going to say that.

The mural was unveiled.

Mr. Sinacola stated so what it is, that's hard to define. He stated he could say it is a good deal more difficult to do than it can sometimes appear. He stated public art can evoke a lot of emotions. He stated it can spark a lot of controversy, so if they want to get it done, sometimes they go with something that is not too representational so that it leaves people wondering just what it is.

Mr. Sinacola stated they got to a point where they had to decide do they like it as artists, and they got to that stage, and they are satisfied with the results, and so they leave it to the public to define it as they see it. He stated it has elements of being a landscape. Mr. Sinacola stated from a symbolic standpoint, because it was a work that combined the efforts of seven of them, they like to evoke maybe a sense that that is in a way the results of sort of a democratic process, a process of compromise, and learning how to work together, especially when they are dealing with very subjective matter like what looks good.

Mr. Sinacola stated he would leave it to everybody in this room and whoever does come to this room in the future to make a judgment. He stated they expect not everyone will like it, but they hope some do, and hope some people maybe with art education will see other things in it. He stated so they will leave it at that.

Mr. Sinacola asked the artists that were present to stand up and be recognized. Joan Manley, member of the Chili Art Group, stated they ended up naming the picture *Le Sette Sensazioni*. She stated the Town of Agropoli, Italy is sister city to Chili. She stated she went to a friend at work who is Italian and asked them to please write it out for her, and it does become *Le Sette Sensazioni* which means, The Seven Senses.

Ms. Manley stated as one looks at it, they have to allow all of their senses to take over, to just sit, daydream, incorporate within them the colors, and the expanse, and the depth that they feel. She stated in this, from every angle, they will see a different sensation, and this is why it became part of the Italian incorporation as their forefathers would have wanted from Italy and as the group, their seven senses interplaying with light, color, depth, value and proportion.

Mr. Sinacola stated they did think a great deal about a lot of subject matter, including the connection to sister cities, and Ms. Manley carried the ball on that front, and that is what led to their title. He stated the naming plaque is temporary. He stated they will make a better one eventually.

Margaret Hughes, the Chili Art Group's current President, took a photograph.

Supervisor Hendershott stated obviously there was a lot of work and time and effort put into this, and it is something that many people should enjoy for years to come, so he thanked all of the Chili Art Group very much for putting that effort into it.

Mr. Sinacola thanked Supervisor Hendershott for his dedication and support to the Town and he wished him all the best in the future.

At this point, a Public Forum was conducted to allow public speakers to address the Town Board. Three speakers addressed the Town Board on various subjects, and the Public Forum concluded at 8:30 p.m.

The 10/1/03 Town Board minutes were approved.

REPORTS SUBMITTED:

CHILI TOWN BOARD MEETING - November 5, 2003

Planning Board - 9/16/03

Recreation Advisory Committee Attendance Report

Chil-"E" Festival Report 2003

Examining Board of Plumbers - 10/6/03

Zoning Board of Appeals - 9/23/03

Drainage Committee - 9/2/03

Traffic & Safety Committee Attendance

Traffic & Safety Committee Year End Report

Historic Preservation Board 9/8/03

Traffic & Safety Committee - 10/2/03

Library Board of Trustees - 9/30/03

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Councilman Powers stated he had a question on the Chil-E Fest report. Councilman Powers stated they used a lot of Chili Highway people for security purposes at the Chil-E Fest. He asked why was their time not charged back as an expense to the Chil-E Fest, whether there was time or how their time was paid for, et cetera.

Dianne O'Meara stated it was paid out of Highway, 5148. Councilman Powers asked why was it not shown as an expense to the Chil-E Fest out of General or whatever. Councilman Powers asked why was it paid out of Highway. Joseph Carr stated it hasn't been their practice to do that. He stated if they look specifically, they are really talking about primarily the used paid help under the Parks Department and most all of the Highway was an unpaid issue, credit of time. He stated the answer is, that hasn't been the way they accommodate for that.

Councilman Powers stated he is just curious, because to him it doesn't give a real true picture of what their expenses were for the Chil-E Fest.

Supervisor Hendershott stated some of that is compensatory time. Joseph Carr stated it is. He stated it is a decision of the Board as to how they would like to portray it, but that is not how they have done it.

Councilman Slattery stated if he could just touch on that, it was not security, because they're not certified by the State to be security people. He stated it was more traffic control, garbage pickup and so forth. Joseph Carr stated that was correct. Councilman Powers stated they were security also. Supervisor Hendershott stated they were directing the traffic. Councilman Powers stated they did a lot of different jobs. Councilman Slattery stated they did a good job.

Supervisor Hendershott stated Mr. Brixner talked about the signal light on the Chili Avenue project. He stated it is true, it is not part of the project at this standpoint. He stated their belief right from the beginning has been and it still is, that there is a traffic light that is needed at that intersection. He stated the original funding, in order to obtain it, would not be eligible for the traffic lights, so they agreed to take it out of that grant proposal. He stated they did not ever agree that they didn't want it there.

Supervisor Hendershott stated they have been looking for some private funds to pay for it, and the bottom line is the State D.O.T. refuses to put a traffic light in there regardless who pays for it.

Supervisor Hendershott stated however, through Mr. Carr's efforts, they did get them to agree to, as part of the project, to put the infrastructure, in other words, the wiring and stuff into the roadway along as they're doing it. He stated so that will be there. He stated so hopefully in the future they will be able to convince D.O.T. that there should be a traffic light at that intersection. He stated to him it seems patently obvious. He stated one doesn't have to be an engineer to figure that out, but they're opposing it.

Supervisor Hendershott stated as a point of clarification, at their last meeting during the public hearing there were some comments made by Mr. Rettig regarding the public hearing on Chili Meadows and their appearing before the Zoning Board. Supervisor Hendershott stated he went back and looked. He stated he has all of the minutes or the decisions of the Zoning Board for 2003, and that project did not go before the Zoning Board of Appeals. He stated it has not gone before the Zoning Board of Appeals, just to clarify the record. He stated it is available for anybody's review if they would like to see it.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- * Letter dated October 25, 2003 from Cynthia Meyer and Mark Jackman (children of former Councilwoman Carol O'Connor), requesting the use of Town Hall property to erect a memorial.
 - * Memo to Town Board from Linda Leach, Assessor, dated October 17, 2003 recommending that Robert Everts be appointed to the Board of Assessment Review to fill out the vacant position.
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RESOLUTION #354 RE: Extension of Consolidated Drainage District

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

BE IT RESOLVED that the Consolidated Drainage District be extended to serve Byrne Dairy located at 3771 Chili Avenue. The tax account number is 158.05-1-1. The Applicant/Owner, Christian Brunelle, Director of Facilities for Byrne Dairy, has paid the requested fees.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #355 RE: Extension of Consolidated Drainage District

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

BE IT RESOLVED that the Consolidated Drainage District be extended to serve property located at 85 Brook Road. The tax account number is 159.04-01-07. The Applicants/Owners, Jonathan and Noelle Wehle, have paid the requested fees.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #356 RE: Veterans Appreciation Week

Offered by: Supervisor Hendershott

**Seconded by: Councilpersons
James Powers, Mary Sperr,
Michael Slattery and
Virginia Ignatowski**

WHEREAS, our Nation honors its veterans of all wars each year on the Eleventh Day of November; and

WHEREAS, veterans of the Town of Chili have served nobly and with great distinction in all of our nation's wars and some have made the supreme sacrifice in defense of our nation; and

WHEREAS, our veterans deserve special recognition for their sacrifice of health, limbs, time and effort to protect the freedom of our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in keeping with the purpose of the celebration of Veteran's Day on November the Eleventh, Two Thousand and Three, the Town Board of the Town of Chili proclaims the week of November Eleventh, Two Thousand and Three be known throughout the town as Veterans Appreciation Week and hereby urges all its citizens to acknowledge, each in his or her own way, the veterans of the Town of Chili and honor them by displaying our national flag in public and private places; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall send this certified proclamation to the Chili Chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion and post it on the official Bulletin Board of the Town.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #357 RE: Memorial for former Town Clerk and Councilwoman Carol O'Connor

Offered by: Councilwoman Sperr

Seconded by: Councilman Slattery

WHEREAS, Supervisor Hendershott is working with the family of Carol O'Connor on an appropriate memorial to her memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes that a memorial be built on Town Hall property in honor of former Town Clerk and Councilwoman Carol O'Connor to be paid for and maintained by her children, Cynthia Meyer and Mark Jackman.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #358 RE: Addition to the Clifton Fire Department, Inc. Active List

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilman Powers

BE IT RESOLVED that Jeffery M. Koster is added to the Clifton Fire Department, Inc. Active List effective September 8, 2003.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #359 RE: Award Sidewalk Plowing Bid

Offered by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

Seconded by: Councilman Powers

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2003, two bids were received by the Town Clerk for sidewalk plowing for the 2003/2004-winter season as follows:

David P. Krenzer	\$400.00 per trip
C. J. Krenzer	\$409.00 per trip

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED to award the sidewalk plowing bid to the low bidder, David P. Krenzer, at \$400.00 per trip.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #360 RE: Appointment to the Board of Assessment Review

Offered by: Councilwoman Sperr

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

WHEREAS, a vacancy occurred on the Board of Assessment Review when John Cross passed away;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that per recommendation of the Assessor, Robert Everts is hereby appointed to fill out the vacant term which will expire on September 30, 2008.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #361 RE: Shift of Operation into an Empire Zone for E3 Technologies

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Sperr

WHEREAS, E3 Technologies (the "Company") with offices located at 7 Sand Pebble Drive, Rochester, New York 14624, did business in Chili from 1998 to 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Company employed four people in 2003, including one resident of the Town of Chili and one within close proximity, and two on Rochester's east side; and

WHEREAS, E3 Technologies has been conducting business out of 7 Sand Pebble Drive in the Town of Chili since 1998. This location is the owner's home residence where a 200 square foot office has been established. Since 2001, E3 Technologies has hired three additional employees and a larger, more permanent, and centrally located place of business is required. Having a central location in the City of Rochester will give their employees as well as customers a more convenient place to work and conduct business for individuals on the east side and west side of Rochester. Their new location offers the additional space needed that is a more appropriate setting for employees and customers. As part of their business plan, their future direction includes hosting several workshops for companies to learn more about utilizing technology to make their businesses more successful and this new location provides E3 Technologies the proper forum for that as well; and

WHEREAS, the Chili Town Board has heard public comments that extraordinary circumstances existed to warrant the relocation of the Company in to the City of Rochester Empire Zone at a public hearing held on November 5, 2003 at Chili Town Hall, located at 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant/Owner, Anthony Viggiani, has paid the requested fees for the filing of the public hearing with the Monroe County Clerk's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Chili consents to the relocation of the Company from the Town of Chili to the City of Rochester Empire Zone.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #362 RE: Set Public Hearing for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Offered by: Councilwoman Sperr

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

BE IT RESOLVED that a Public Hearing be set for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. to consider landmark status for 3017 Chili Avenue, know as the Moffett/Dasson House, as recommended by the

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Historic Preservation Board. The tax account number is 146.07-1-63.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #363 RE: Set Public Hearing for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

BE IT RESOLVED that a Public Hearing be set for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. to consider extension of the Consolidated Drainage District to serve property located at 236 Old Chili-Scottsville Road. The tax account number is 158.020-01-010.000. The Applicants/Owners, Glenn and Jane Schneider, have paid the required fees.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #364 RE: Set Public Hearing for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

BE IT RESOLVED that a Public Hearing be set for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. to consider extension of the Consolidated Drainage District to serve property located at 210 Krenzer Road. The tax account number is 173.020-01-007.000. The Applicant/Owner, Marjorie S. Wehle, has paid the required fees.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #365 RE: Set Public Hearing for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Offered by: Councilwoman Sperr

Seconded by: Councilman Slattery

BE IT RESOLVED that a Public Hearing be set for December 3, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. to consider establishment of the Vistas at the Links Subdivision Sidewalk District to serve property located at 210, 230, 252 and 280 Archer Road; 573, 555, 553, 549, 413 and 411 Paul Road and 420 Ballantyne Road. The tax account numbers are 146.04-01-019, 146.04-01-018, 146.04-01-013, 146.04-01-008, 146.04-01-007, 146.04-01-006, 146.04-01-005, 146.04-01-002.2, 146.03-01-031, 146.03-01-030 and 159.02-01-004. The Applicant/Owner, William Howard of Ballantyne Development LLC, has paid the required fees.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #366 RE: Purchase of Global Positioning System

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Sperr

WHEREAS, the Town of Chili needs to collect geographical data to meet reporting needs now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, this geographical information will be used by multiple departments and agencies within the town; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Management Information Services has specified the hardware necessary

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to gather geographic information compatible with the existing Town Geographic Information System (GIS); and

WHEREAS, the Director of Management Information Services has determined that it is financially prudent to collect such data through the purchase of GIS equipment to be used by existing internal labor resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of Management Information Services is hereby authorized to purchase (1) Trimble GeoExplorer XT GPS Mapping System from Waypoint Technology Group, under NYS Office of General Services contract. The total including hardware, software, warranty and update extension and technical support with not exceed \$7,644.90. and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to transfer \$3,822.45 from A1490.1 (DPW - Personnel) to A1680.2 (MIS Equipment for GPS Mapping System); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to transfer \$3,822.45 from A3620.1 (Building Dept. Personnel) to A1680.2 (MIS Equipment for GPS Mapping System).

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**RESOLUTION #367 RE: Chili Avenue Lane Extension -
Phase III Funding Authorization**

Offered by: Councilwoman Sperr

Seconded by: Councilman Slattery

WHEREAS, through Resolution #379, dated November 7, 2001, the Town Board authorized the extension of westbound through traffic lane on Rt. 33A (Chili Avenue) from Rose Road to Paul Road on the State Highway System, the performance and funding in the first instance 100% of the costs of construction thereof, to be reimbursed by the State and appropriating funds therefore, and

WHEREAS, the State of New York has requested the Town of Chili to incorporate improvements for the extension of a westbound through traffic land on Rt. 33A (Chili Avenue) from Rose Road to Paul Road on the State Highway System (the "State Betterment"), and

WHEREAS, under Resolution #379, the Town Board appropriated from H35, \$121,000 to cover preliminary design and survey work, and

WHEREAS, under resolution #308 (September 3, 2003) the Town Board appropriated from H35 \$162,000 to cover the cost of final design and R.O.W. acquisitions; and

WHEREAS, the cost to complete Phase III of the work, which is the construction phase is estimated to be \$901,600.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board duly convened does hereby;

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves such project (the "Project"); and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town of Chili to pay the first instance 100% of the costs of the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$1,184,600 is hereby appropriated from H35 Chili Avenue Extension, and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

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RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests on behalf of the Town of Chili with NYSDOT in connection with the implementation of the Project, and reimbursement of the approved costs associated with the State Betterment, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes \$901,600 from General Fund Surplus to the H35 Chili Avenue Extension project to be repaid upon reimbursement from the State; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED that Resolution shall take effect immediately.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

**RESOLUTION #368 RE: Establish Letter of Credit for Cedar Grove Subdivision,
Section 3A**

Offered by: Councilman Powers

Seconded by: Councilman Slattery

BE IT RESOLVED that per recommendation of the Town Engineer a letter of credit be established for Cedar Grove Subdivision, Section 3A, in the amount of \$418,064.57. Items within the letter of credit to include, but are not limited to, full depth construction of approximately 1,576 linear feet of roadway, construction of an internal storm sewer system, erosion control measures, earthwork, street trees, right-of-way monumentation, pinning of lot corners and the preparation of record plans to be submitted to the Town.

Additional provisions included within the letter of credit are a 10% construction contingency, a 5% contingency for Town Engineering inspection services and a 1% contingency for Town Administration.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #367 RE: Budget Transfers

Offered by: Councilwoman Sperr

Seconded by: Councilwoman Ignatowski

BE IT RESOLVED to transfer \$100 from A1640.402 (Central Garage - Refuse) to A1640.453 (Central Garage - Fire Marshal) for a fuel tank, pump and exhaust system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to transfer \$10,000 from DA5142.499 (Misc. Snow) to DA5110.1 (General Repairs-Personnel); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to transfer \$13,500 from DA5142.499 (Misc. Snow) to DA 5130.4 (Machinery- Contractual); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to transfer \$13,000 from DA5142.499 (Misc. Snow) to DA5110.4 (General Repairs - Contractual).

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #370 RE: Monroe County Snow & Ice Agreement

Offered by: Councilman Powers

Seconded by: Councilman Slattery

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute an intermunicipal agreement with the County of Monroe to provide snow and ice control on all County roads within the Town of Chili; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this agreement is to be for a ten year period commencing on October 1, 2003 with the total expected payment from the County for the 2003/2004 season of \$146,867.54. Each year the rate of reimbursement will be adjusted for labor, equipment and materials based upon a review of the previous year's actual costs and formulas to be mutually agreed upon as indicated within the agreement.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

RESOLUTION #371 RE: Payment of Claims

Offered by: Councilman Slattery

Seconded by: Councilwoman Sperr

BE IT RESOLVED to pay vouchers#5394 - 5637 totaling \$115,987.20 from the Distribution Account as presented to the Town Board by Richard J. Brongo, Town Clerk:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 43,662.89
HIGHWAY FUND	37,628.62
H32 UNION STATION PARK	3,960.00
H35 CHILI AVE. WIDENING D017381	255.20
H36 CHILI SEWER IMPROVEMENT #1	29,640.77
CONSOLIDATED DRAINAGE	652.33
SPECIAL LIGHT DISTRICTS	<u>187.39</u>
TOTAL ABSTRACT	\$115,987.20

APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 4 YES TO 1 NO (Councilman Powers voted no.)

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Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

No one was present to represent Byrne Dairy.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Jerry Brixner - 14 Hartom Road

Mr. Brixner stated he is aware of the Byrne Dairy people. He asked is this an addition to their plant on Union Street. He stated this is on Chili Avenue, so he assumes this is a new store. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was correct. He stated it is a proposed new dairy store on the corner of Chili Avenue and Union Street.

Mr. Brixner asked what corner would that be on. Supervisor Hendershott stated southeast.

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The Public Hearing was closed at 6:13 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

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Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

No one was present to represent the Jonathan and Noelle Wehle property at Brook Road.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:13 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:14 p.m. actual time) to consider a Shift of Operation into an Empire Zone approval for E3 Technologies, 7 Sand Pebble Drive. Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

Supervisor Hendershott stated before they get started on this, this is very unusual for them to have a public hearing of this nature. He stated what they have here is a business that was located in the Town of Chili, a home business which grew, expanded. He stated they had to look for a larger facility to meet their needs. He stated they found one that was in the Empire Zone, in the City of Rochester. He stated even though it is a home business, because it is a business in Chili, it would be leaving Chili to go into an Empire Zone, and there are some statutory requirements that the Town hold a public hearing to consider this. He stated generally the purpose of this is if they had a business in a commercial area or a Light Industrial area that was going to move out of the Town where there could be a significant change in the revenues to the Town, it would offer an opportunity for the Town to review it and the public to comment on it.

Supervisor Hendershott stated that is really not the case in this because of the nature of the existing business. He stated but nonetheless, they are going through this this evening as that statutory requirement. Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not ever recall having to do this in the past.

Tony Viggiani - Sand Pebble Drive

Mr. Viggiani stated they are working with a local realtor, Prudential, trying to find suitable space that is equally distance between their employees and their customers right now that would allow them to penetrate the markets, and they are looking at an Empire Zone downtown.

Supervisor Hendershott asked whereabouts is it located. Mr. Viggiani stated right now they are looking at property in the High Falls area.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Jerry Brixner - 14 Hartom Road

Mr. Brixner stated he was still a little confused as to the reason for the hearing. He asked what E-3 Technologies is involved in and what are they looking for with this.

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Supervisor Hendershott stated E-3 Technologies is the name of the business, and under the rule for the Empire Zone, it is a requirement that they hold this public hearing.

Mr. Viggiani stated E-3 is an IT, information technology consulting company. He stated they help people with computing, networks, things like that. He stated they need to expand their staff in a suitable place to do that.

Mr. Brixner asked would they still operate out of Sand Pebble Drive. Mr. Viggiani stated they would not. Mr. Brixner asked if they are moving outside the Town of Chili, what is Chili losing or gaining here. Supervisor Hendershott stated they are not. He stated as he said earlier, the purpose of the regulations on this is directed at the case of a business in a commercial zone, not a home business. He stated they could be creating vacant space. He stated they could be affecting revenues to the Town. He stated under this case, because it is a home business, it doesn't impact the Town in any way like that. Supervisor Hendershott stated but just for the mere fact that it is a business, and it is moving to an Empire Zone, it requires them to conduct this.

Mr. Brixner asked, in a sense, they are assisting the business in their operations, are they not. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was correct. Mr. Brixner asked would the Sand Pebble location be continued as part of their operation. Mr. Viggiani stated that is his home address and where they established the business.

Mr. Brixner asked if they are doing a favor, in a sense, to a Chili resident. Supervisor Hendershott stated they are. Mr. Brixner stated it sounds good to him.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:18 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:18 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Water District Assessment Rolls (Hynes Tract, S Chili Benefit Area #1, S Chili Benefit Area #2).

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

(No comments were made during this public hearing. However, the following comments related to this public hearing were made in the public hearing regarding the sewer district.)

Tom Eichele - 214 Sheffer Road

Mr. Eichele stated he wanted to back up a little bit to the water district. He asked what is going on with the water district there, if there are any expansions going on for 2004, if they are included in this expansion.

Mr. Eichele stated he has come to one of the meetings before. He stated he does not get a chance to get to the meetings much. He stated the water is so close to his house, 1/8 of a mile one way or another. Supervisor Hendershott stated this public hearing really is not to address that issue, but he would just say that right now there are not current plans in place to do a further extension to the water district. He stated he would be more than happy to discuss that with Mr. Eichele if he would like to meet with him so he could lay out some of the particulars as far as extensions and stuff. Supervisor Hendershott stated this public hearing is specifically for the budget for the existing water district.

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Mr. Eichele stated he understood that. He stated he would like to meet with Supervisor Hendershott on that, because they are so far south in Chili, it seems like they are pretty much left out.

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PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:19 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Sewer District (Chili Sewer Improvement Benefit Area #1).

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Edward Vandewater - 38 Bunny Run, Ogden

Mr. Vandewater stated he has a business on Union Street in Chili, the Amish outlet and gift shop. He stated he just wanted to express his desire for the sewer district to be continued where it was supposed to be completed, from his understanding this year, which hasn't been done yet. He stated he just wanted to state for the record that he really would encourage the Board to pursue this project.

Jerry VanStreader

Mr. VanStreader stated he lives in Bergen, but he owns Ray's TV on Union Street. He stated being a neighbor of Ed's, he shares his same interest.

Mr. VanStreader stated the question he has that he has brought up to Joseph Carr earlier this year, is how come they were billed on their tax bill last year for part of the sewer and it is now November and they still don't have anything. He asked why are they paying for something that they don't have. He stated if someone gets a telephone, they don't pay for it until they have it and can use it.

Mr. VanStreader stated other neighbors down the street, they have all said the same thing to him. He stated he is surprised some more neighbors were not present, but due to the time frame, maybe they could not make it. He stated they are all billed. He asked why.

Joseph Carr stated he would comment that when they start a project like this, they start to incur costs, engineering costs and they need to be able to fund and pay for those costs. He stated as soon as they had authorization to create the district, they also had authorization to borrow the money, which they did, and they started with paying their bills. He stated it is true that they are behind schedule, but they have plans in place that the Board will be hearing next week to continue this. He stated they need to set the funding in place before they can do anything, and that is why it was done.

Mr. VanStreader stated when they got their water, they didn't pay until they got the water. He stated RG&E puts in the poles and the lines and people aren't charged until they use it. He stated this is a utility. He stated it is not a luxury. He stated he knows of no other utility that they have that they prepay. He stated it has been a year and they still don't have it.

Supervisor Hendershott stated on this district, there are some initial costs, especially engineering. He stated some of the work has been done out there and even though it is not complete, the funds have to be there to build the system. He stated that is what is being paid on it. Mr. VanStreader stated he knows of no other utility that does this.

Mr. VanStreader asked when they are going to get something for what they paid for. Supervisor Hendershott asked if there is a revised schedule on this at this point. Joseph Carr stated his intent is at the next Town Board meeting they will authorize a rebidding of the project, and they will be taking bids

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under that schedule the first part of December. He stated that is the revised date.

Supervisor Hendershott asked if this is something that can be done throughout the year. Joseph Carr stated yes, it is. Supervisor Hendershott stated it has been delayed for a couple of issues. He stated if anyone would like to discuss further the project with him, he would be more than happy to sit down and talk with them.

(The following comments also appear in the public hearing regarding the water district assessment rolls.)

Tom Eichele - 214 Sheffer Road

Mr. Eichele stated he wanted to back up a little bit to the water district. He asked what is going on with the water district there, if there are any expansions going on for 2004, if they are included in this expansion.

Mr. Eichele stated he has come to one of the meetings before. He stated he does not get a chance to get to the meetings much. He stated the water is so close to his house, 1/8 of a mile one way or another. Supervisor Hendershott stated this public hearing really is not to address that issue, but he would just say that right now there are not current plans in place to do a further extension to the water district. He stated he would be more than happy to discuss that with Mr. Eichele if he would like to meet with him so he could lay out some of the particulars as far as extensions and stuff. Supervisor Hendershott stated this public hearing is specifically for the budget for the existing water district.

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Jerry Brixner - 14 Hartom Road

Mr. Brixner stated this is a great opportunity for community and individual comment through these public hearings. He asked for the parameters of the Union sewer project, from what site to what site. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is the trunk line on the corner of King Road and Union Street south to the West Shore rail line.

Mr. Brixner stated he was very interested in whether or not an individual on the corner property on King and Union received compensation for an easement. Supervisor Hendershott stated he was not sure what the status is of that, but he believes that if the check has not been issued, he believes there is an agreement on it.

Mr. Brixner asked on the water district, on the Hynes Tract, have all the capital costs for the Hynes Tract project been paid for, or is there an indebtedness yet on that particular project. He stated when he was in office, that was one of their issues, or one of their activities to get water to those people, and so he takes a personal interest in it.

Dianne O'Meara stated the Hynes Tract is part of the serial bond, the permanent bonding that took place in 1998. She stated yes, there is still indebtedness. She stated they will be paying it off over a 20-year period.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:26 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:26 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Lighting Districts (Clifton, Chili Industrial, Pumpkin Hill, Chestnut, Autumn Wood, Maplegrove, Cedar Grove, Whispering Winds, College Greene, Mayflower, Blueberry Hill, Gilmar, Carriage House, Black Creek Woods, Union Square, King Forest, Union

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Station, Red Bud, Parklands of Chili, Paul Road Estates, Springbrook and Park Place.)

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:27 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:27 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Park District (Lexington).

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

Supervisor Hendershott stated Lexington Parkway Park District covers the center median down Lexington Parkway itself. He stated that is what this refers to.

Councilman Powers stated some is also the tot lots, he thought. Richard Stowe stated some, but not all. He stated some are still individually owned and never went to the district.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:28 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:28 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Sidewalk District (Park Place).

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the Park Place Subdivision on Union Street, which hosted Homearama, part of the approval on that was to have sidewalks in that subdivision. He stated in order to maintain the sidewalks, and also put aside for future capital repairs, they created a special district on the basis as they do with the lighting districts, that the people that live in that subdivision should pay for that maintenance and people who do not should not have to.

Councilman Powers stated on tonight's agenda there are bid prices for plowing. He asked was Park Place up on Union Street taken into consideration in that. Joseph Carr stated it is not a part of that contract. Councilman Powers asked who is going to plow those sidewalks up there. Joseph Carr stated they're not intended to be plowed this season. Councilman Powers asked what about when they are plowed. Joseph Carr stated they have not made that determination. He stated they will have to begin to look at that next year. He stated he would expect that next season, 2004/2005, they will need to be ready to provide that service.

Councilman Powers stated he just wanted to bring up the fact, too, that he suggested some time ago that they pay for any equipment that the Town may buy or use to plow those sidewalks. Supervisor Hendershott stated this is something that Joe Carr and he have talked about actually on a year-to-year basis since they have been doing these sidewalks, looking at the cost effectiveness of the Town doing it versus contracting it out. Supervisor Hendershott stated so far it is far more favorable for them to

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contract it out. He stated when they first started the discussion several years ago, the only sidewalks they had were throughout Chili Center and in North Chili, and now with Park Place and maybe some other subdivisions, that is going to grow. Supervisor Hendershott stated but that is something that they have discussed every year to see, and he believes at some point that is not something that would be contracted out. He stated but right now it is still cost effective to do it in that matter.

Councilman Slattery asked to follow up with that question, have any of the roads in that subdivision been dedicated to the Town at this point. Joseph Carr stated no, they haven't. Councilman Slattery asked do they anticipate when the first road would be dedicated to the Town. He asked would it be sometime next spring. Joseph Carr stated no, that would be two years from now. Councilman Slattery stated so there is still time there. He stated so the developer is going to be responsible for quite a while to maintain that. Joseph Carr stated that was correct.

Councilman Powers asked are they going to plow the roads in there. Supervisor Hendershott stated he imagines they will probably do it under an agreement. He stated they have a lot of houses back in there now. He stated they can't very well not plow them. He stated there is a process that they go through to do that.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:31 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:31 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Consolidated Drainage District.

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTION FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:31 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:32 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Assessment Rolls for Fire and Fire Protection Districts (Chili, Gates-Chili, Clifton, Scottsville) Assessment Rolls for Ambulance Districts (Chili, Gates-Chili, Clifton, Scottsville).

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:32 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:32 p.m. actual time) to consider the

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2004 Preliminary Budget regarding the Proposed contracts for Ambulance Districts and Proposed contracts for Fire and Fire Protection Districts.

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

Councilman Powers stated under Clifton Ambulance, they have a projected fund balance in brackets. He asked does that mean minus fund balance. Dianne O'Meara stated it does. Councilman Powers asked how come. Dianne O'Meara stated when the summary sheets were sent in, the Real Property Services, that particular district somehow or another, the decimal point moved over, and so the obligation still had to be set up. She stated the dollar amount that was intended to be collected in the taxes was not collected, but the obligation still had to be set up, and they will have to collect even further next year or pay off more next year.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Jerry Brixner - 14 Hartom Road

Mr. Brixner asked on a contract with this sort, between the fire protection districts and the Town, is that intended just to cover per se operational expenses for the districts, or is there a certain amount of fire protection improvement features involved in here. He asked are there fire trucks and that sort of a thing.

Supervisor Hendershott stated they had a number of members from the Fire Department with them tonight. He asked Herb Bietry to comment. Supervisor Hendershott stated the question is, does the fire budget include not only operational expenses, but does it include money for equipment, major equipment purchases.

Herb Bietry - 807 Westside Drive

He stated he is the Treasurer of the Chili Fire Department. He stated their budget does include both aspects. He stated it includes monies for operations, and it does include monies that they set aside for the purchase of vehicles and improvements to their buildings.

Supervisor Hendershott stated he wanted to recognize the members of the Fire Department with them tonight to offer any information on this. He stated he would also like to recognize Bill Arnold, the Chief, who is soon not going to be the Chief, and thank him for his service. Supervisor Hendershott stated Chris Fish is next in line to be the new Chief. He welcomed him into that position. Supervisor Hendershott thanked all of the gentlemen for all their service. He stated the Town Board appreciates their being with them this evening, too.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:35 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held by the Chili Town Board on November 5, 2003 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. (6:35 p.m. actual time) to consider the 2004 Preliminary Budget.

Attendance as previously noted in the 11/5/03 Chili Town Board meeting minutes.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the Town budget is a very thick, detailed and complex document, and it is many times difficult to find some information out of there, so anticipating that, he would like to bring to the attention a little bit of a summary what is in this budget for the Board members and for people in the audience.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the budget primarily consists of three major funds: The General Fund, the Highway Fund and the Library Fund. He stated what is paid out of each of those is: The Highway

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Fund is obviously highway work; the Library is for the Library; and just about everything else in the Town comes out of the General Fund.

Supervisor Hendershott stated now this year, as far as the expenditures, they have had some increases that he wanted to break down. He stated the General Fund has an increase of \$133,543, which is a 2.7 percent increase in the spending in the General Fund. He stated the Highway Fund has an increase of \$173,579, which is a 6.9 percent increase in the Highway Fund. He stated the Library Fund has an increase of \$56,588, which is a 7.7 percent increase in that fund. He stated the total for the three funds, in other words, the total increase in expenditures or the total increase in spending amounts to \$363,710, which is a 4.5 percent increase in the total Town budget.

Supervisor Hendershott stated now he wanted to point out, out of that, that in all of the things that the Town spends money on, there are three major things that are mandated to the Town that they have seen increases in this year that are out of their control, and those three things are the mandated contribution to the State Pension Fund that the Town has to make, the premium for their Workers' Compensation insurance, and the premiums for the health insurance.

Supervisor Hendershott stated he was going to give everyone the increases in each of those. He stated they are the increases, not the total amount. He stated in the Pension Fund, the mandated increase to the Town this year is \$219,440. He stated that is the increase, which is a 144 percent increase mandated to the Town. He stated the Workers' Compensation premium, the increase is \$56,664, which is a 42.3 percent increase mandated to the Town. He stated the health insurance increase is \$86,828, which is a 14.7 percent increase mandated to the Town.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the total in increases mandated to the Town is \$362,932. He stated now, if they take the total increase in the budget and subtract out just the increases in those three things that they have no control over, the difference is \$778,000. He stated so on an \$8 million budget, the total increase in spending, taking those mandated increases out, is only \$778,000 or less than a tenth of a percent. He stated so he thought that the expenditures are pretty much under control to have that minimal amount, and that is his opinion.

Supervisor Hendershott stated now, how this translates out to everybody, out of all of their total tax bills, the Town tax bill is one of the smallest portions with the school taxes being the largest portion. He stated nonetheless, the Town should be doing everything they can to minimize that and keep taxes stable. He stated so this year, there will be a very small decrease in the rate which will go from a rounded figure of \$3.78 per thousand dollars assessment to \$3.76. He stated it is not much, but he thought what it reflects is the continuing desire of this Board to keep taxes stable in this Town.

Supervisor Hendershott stated now, another thing that impacts this, is the amount of the reserves and the unexpended money. Supervisor Hendershott stated at the end of the year the Town ends up having stuff left over that wasn't spent in the budget, which is the unexpended balance. He stated what they have done is for each of those funds, they have applied an amount of that to offset what has to be paid for the taxes. He stated in other words, what they had left over, they put back against the budget so that they don't have to go to the taxpayers for that money.

Supervisor Hendershott stated, in this year it amounts to \$1,275,075. He stated that is not the total amount that they have left over, and what they try to do is to keep some of that into reserve to offset any unanticipated expense that they might come up with. He stated for example, the Ice Storm of 1991 was a significant unanticipated expense. He stated they have had other such storms, but that one no one could anticipate, and so they can think of it as a savings account for an unanticipated expense.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the State regulates to the Town how much money that they can actually keep in these funds, and what the State says is that if they take the total amount of the budget, which in this case is proposed to be \$8,522,051 and they take 20 percent of that amount, that is the maximum amount that the State says that they should have in this rainy day account. Supervisor Hendershott

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stated this year what they have done is they have made a decision to give back more of this money to the taxpayers in order to keep the tax rate stable. He stated the last year, even though the State said they could have 20 percent, they had earmarked 13.6 to do that. He stated this year, they have reduced that down under 10 percent to 9.9 percent, and dollar wise, what that does is it leaves them a reserve \$940,730.

Supervisor Hendershott stated regarding new positions in this budget, there is one new position in the budget this year from last year which is a part-time driver for the Senior Center. He stated the Town obtained a small bus a couple years ago to help with transportation for seniors. He stated they have been relying primarily on volunteers to drive this bus to pick up the seniors, and it has been getting more and more difficult to get volunteers to cover the times that they need, to a point that they have had on some occasions the Senior Director actually having to drive the bus. He stated he does not think that is a very good use of their Director's time to be out driving a bus when they can pay someone a small hourly rate to do that. Supervisor Hendershott stated and so with that, he did allow for her to include that in her budget, this new position, as a part-time driver for the Senior Center.

Supervisor Hendershott stated increases for employees are also something that is a question every year, and this year, there is an increase for all employees in there of 3 percent, and a cost of living raise which would be proposed to be effective January 1st at the organizational meeting in January. He stated part of the negotiations with the Union, and also not negotiations but standard with non-union, is that there is a pay scale with various rates that people are earning in different places. He stated if someone has not reached the top part, the very top level which is the rate for the job and they are eligible for a review by their superior, on a favorable review, they could get a merit increase if they're not in the Union of 4 percent. He stated if they're in the Union, it is 5 percent.

Supervisor Hendershott stated and finally major equipment purchases, several years ago they went back to eliminating short-term borrowing for their major equipment purchases and are paying them directly out of the budget. He stated this year there is one piece of equipment that is in the budget, the replacement of one of the packers that they have.

Supervisor Hendershott stated also, while it is not in the budget, he would just bring it to everyone's attention that it is Joseph Carr's intention to replace the dog control vehicle this year. He stated, however, that is not coming out of the budget but is being done out of the Reserve Fund. He stated that is the intention at this point. He stated of course this Board would have to approve that purchase when they got to it, but that is what is intended for this year.

Councilman Powers stated there is a tremendous increase in the pension and he noted in one of the areas where Dianne O'Meara makes her changes it was indicated they hope they get some more updates or whatever. He asked did they have a letter from the State as to what the Town's contributions were going to be for this upcoming here. Dianne O'Meara stated they have. She stated they would be 11 percent of payroll. Councilman Powers asked if he could have a copy of that letter. Dianne O'Meara stated he could.

Councilman Powers stated he noted in one of the revisions that there was a good chunk charged back to the Highway Department in particular. He asked was there any change in the General Fund. Dianne O'Meara stated there was not. Councilman Powers stated so it went there to the Highway. Dianne O'Meara stated that was right. Councilman Powers stated he would appreciate a copy of that.

Councilman Slattery asked the Supervisor to talk about where the mandates are coming from. Supervisor Hendershott stated the pension contribution is mandated through the State Comptroller's Office. He stated that is the person, the agency that is charged with overseeing that fund. He stated so they come directly as a result out of the Comptroller's Office.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the health insurance and the Workers' Comp. come from the insurers that provide that to them, so that is what they're telling them is going to be their increase. He stated so

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that is the agency, so to speak, that this is coming out of.

Councilman Slattery stated going back to the pension, which is a 144 percent increase, this is something that he assumes that all of the Town governments, villages have to absorb. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is correct. He stated as people may or may not have heard or read in the news, every municipality is facing increases like this. He stated they are facing \$200,000 plus. He stated the County is facing significantly more than that, into the million dollars as far as their obligation. He stated it is a problem. He stated his opinion is that the funds were based on the market in the '90s, and the market was very good. He stated the fund was actually over-funded for a period of time. He stated now that the market has gone down, they have remained keeping these funds in the market, and it has affected the fund and now it is under-funded. He stated instead of doing anything, the State is expecting the local municipalities to step up and pay the difference. He stated he finds that unacceptable, but unfortunately, they have absolutely no control in it except making it known.

Councilman Powers stated so they won't get as much when they retire. Councilman Slattery stated he has a long way to go.

Councilman Slattery asked in regards to those increases, are there projections on where they need to be for next year. He stated being responsible to the taxpayers in their community, they hate to have a tax increase.

Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not think they do project out that far. Supervisor Hendershott stated as far as the Pension Fund, for example, if the market were to turn around and have a good year, that would definitely impact what would be proposed for 2005.

Dianne O'Meara stated she thought the opinion of the current State Comptroller is even if the market turns around, it would not alleviate much to the local governments. She stated he feels that they should be funding at this particular rate for the next four to five, six, seven years.

Councilman Slattery asked what was the increase for last year, the year before, percentagewise. Dianne O'Meara stated percentagewise she could not say. She stated in 2002, her recollection of the pension payment was around 56, \$58,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated he thought it was \$56,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated this year they paid about \$153,000. He stated now they are going to \$372,000.

Councilman Slattery asked is there anyway they can contact their State representatives. Supervisor Hendershott stated absolutely. He stated he would give out the phone numbers if anyone would like.

Councilman Powers asked the Workmen's Comp., is that because of a poor rating somewhere along the line. Dianne O'Meara stated it is. She stated there is a combination of variables. Mr. Vail stated the experience rating has seen a decrease. He stated it is a lesser of a credit.

Councilman Powers asked are any of the non-union people going to pay anything on their hospitalization next year. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is not proposed at this time, but that is a decision that can be made next year. He stated it is not proposed for the budget.

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Beverly Neder - 82 Attridge Road

She stated she knows the Pension Fund is mandated by the State. She stated she hears in the newspaper and on the radio all this grumbling from heads of various towns and the County about how they have no control over this. She asked why haven't they banded together and gone to Albany and protested this, and is there any move to have employees pay more of their pension.

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Supervisor Hendershott stated the answer to those questions is yes. He stated he believes that the Finance Directors have done that as a group. He stated the Council of Governments in Monroe County has done that. He stated he would suspect, although he does not know, other counties throughout the State, that they have launched this protest. He stated they have also requested that it would be a contribution, and so far the Comptroller has said that they will not do that, take that off the table. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is incredible.

Ms. Neder stated it is totally ridiculous. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would be more than happy if Ms. Neder would like to add her voice to all of theirs. He stated he would give the names and addresses out for her to do that. Ms. Neder stated she would take Supervisor Hendershott up on that.

Ms. Neder stated and also on the health costs, she realizes there are Union employees in Town and non-union employees. She asked do the non-union employees pay a portion of their health insurance. Supervisor Hendershott stated not at this point in time. Ms. Neder asked why not. Supervisor Hendershott stated because that is not the personnel policy of the Town. Ms. Neder asked well don't they think it is maybe time they do so, like Kodak and Xerox and all of the other big industries.

Supervisor Hendershott stated it is looked at. He stated if she were asking him, is it considered, it is considered every year. Ms. Neder asked how seriously. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is considered seriously. Ms. Neder stated but they never do anything about it. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is not true. Supervisor Hendershott stated he does not change it. He stated just because it is not changed doesn't mean nothing is done about it. Ms. Neder stated if nothing is changed, she does not think anything is done about it. Ms. Neder stated that is like her looking at the dust in the corner and saying, yes, there is dust, but if she does not do anything about it, nothing is changed; there is still dust in the corner. Supervisor Hendershott stated he was not going to debate this on this level with Ms. Neder.

Ms. Neder stated she does think that as health insurance has gone up, everybody has to bite the bullet and employees have to start paying a share of that. She stated she did not think they can go to any major industry in this Town and not see where employees and retirees have had to pay increases for their health insurance. She stated it is a national crisis, and she does not see why Town employees should be exempt from that.

George Barnett

Mr. Barnett stated he would like to talk about the driver for the senior bus. He stated he thought that there has not been enough of an effort to try and find volunteers. He stated he has never seen it in the Chili Times paper. He stated he is one of the volunteers that drives that bus, and so far in the month of October, he received one telephone call asking could he come in today to do it, and he did. He stated and if they do get into a permanent driver, he thought they are getting themselves into a situation where they must consider a driver with a CDL and passenger endorsement, because even though that bus only carries eight people, they carry handicapped people, and if they have a permanent driver carrying handicapped people regardless of the size of the bus, the person has to have a CDL and a passenger endorsement on their CDL.

Mr. Barnett stated but the point he is really trying to make, he thought that before they start hiring more people, he thought that they ought to make a more concerted effort to find volunteers. He stated he thought they're out there. He stated an organization that he belongs to is selling their building because they couldn't find volunteers, but he was never asked to volunteer, so he thought a greater effort should be made to look for volunteers. He stated he thought they should try to save that expense.

Bernice Wilcox - Stuart Road

Mrs. Wilcox stated it has come to her attention that their website is not in very good shape, and she would like to make a few points about it. She stated it has also come to her attention the person that is setting up the website is getting a nice, fat increase in his salary, and he has been doing so.

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Mrs. Wilcox stated the following information was taken off the Town's website as of today, November 5, 2003. She stated in Town of Chili committees, Virginia Ignatowski is still listed on the Drainage Committee. Mrs. Wilcox stated she is also Chair of the Drainage Committee according to this website.

Mrs. Wilcox stated Rona Pearce is listed as Chair of the Historic Preservation Board which is well out of date. She stated she believes Peter Widener is the Chair. She stated it is listed a contact person for meetings of this Board is Jay Widener, Town Historian. Mrs. Wilcox stated she believes Peter Widener has been the Town Historian for some time. Mrs. Wilcox stated Carol O'Connor is still listed as the liaison from the Town Board. She stated she thought she is in a better place. Mrs. Wilcox stated also listed for the Planning Board, John Cross is still listed as the Chair.

Mrs. Wilcox stated she thought they have some real serious problems with their website, and according to what she hears, they have had them for some time. She stated she suggests they get someone competent. She stated she thought this person needs a reduction in salary.

Gail Lyle

She stated she has a comment on the health insurance. She stated when she was working, she had to take out her own health insurance and her husband had to take out his, where he worked. She asked has anyone thought about having that done in the Town. She stated if they have two people working, have one take out insurance at their own place of employment.

Ms. Lyle stated or another thing that has happened, is they were not paying 80 percent. She stated they were paying 20 percent of their health insurance and now the company has switched it and they are paying 80 percent and they're paying 20 percent. She asked has anyone considered reducing the insurance that way. Supervisor Hendershott stated they have. He stated they look at all that all the time.

Jerry Brixner - 14 Hartom Road

Mr. Brixner stated Mrs. Neder brought up a topic and received general applause and consideration. He stated on the Supervisor's answer to her, he did not mention the Association of Towns of New York State and New York State Association of Towns. He stated they did not have representation this past February of the current year to this particular annual meeting of the Association of Towns. He stated this is held in New York City and it is about a four-day event.

Mr. Brixner stated on a Sunday, prior to the opening of the conference, there is normally a listing of proposals which the Association of Towns members will intend to support, and there is good discussion on these particular areas. He stated individuals, not formal supervisors and representatives of their towns can also participate, if he recalls how it is done.

Mr. Brixner stated then on a Wednesday, as the conference concludes, these particular recommendations, after they come out at the preliminary meeting, are voted on and it becomes the policy of the Association of Towns to recommend changes or improvements to Albany.

Mr. Brixner asked what is the position of the Association of Towns of New York State on the issue that Mrs. Neder brought up. Supervisor Hendershott stated he could not recite that off the top of his head. He stated he believes the State and Town are in agreement on this, as are all of the other towns. He stated he has all of the information from last year's meeting and he would be more than happy to share that if Mr. Brixner would give him a call. Mr. Brixner stated he would.

Dorothy Borgus - 31 Stuart Road

Ms. Borgus stated she wanted to start off by addressing the health insurance increase that they call mandated. She stated she wondered how do they consider that mandated. Supervisor Hendershott stated because that is what they tell them they have to pay. He stated they don't have a choice. Ms. Borgus asked who tells them that. Supervisor Hendershott stated the insurer does.

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Ms. Borgus stated she does not think that is mandated. She stated she thought they choose to pay that as a Town, and they choose not to collect any of it from the employees other than Highway. She stated she thought that is a point that hasn't been made. She stated Highway does pay part of theirs. She stated some of the Town employees are exempt from it, which is totally unfair.

Supervisor Hendershott stated that is a negotiated item in the contract. He stated there are many differences between what the non-union and Union employees benefit package and wage packages are. He stated that is just one of them. He stated in the whole package, there are a lot of differences. He stated some are better on one and some are better on the other.

Ms. Borgus stated but they have Union people in the Town Hall working, as well. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was correct. Ms. Borgus stated so there is a further distinction. She stated it is whether they are Union in this Town Hall or they are Union at the Highway Department. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was untrue. He stated all Union members are in one group and non-union in another.

Ms. Borgus stated she does not consider that a mandated cost and she does not like it being lumped in there, because it is certainly not in the class of a mandate with Workers' Comp. and the pension problem. Supervisor Hendershott stated he appreciates her opinion. Ms. Borgus stated that is a totally different thing.

Ms. Borgus stated now she would like to talk about the pay increases that they mentioned. She stated in the Gates-Chili Press, a week ago, she had a letter to the editor. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was incorrect. Ms. Borgus stated it was not incorrect. Supervisor Hendershott stated well, it is. Ms. Borgus stated well, it's not. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is fine.

Supervisor Hendershott stated he told everybody what the increases were. He stated there is a 3 percent, and depending on Union or non-union, a 4 or 5 percent. He stated three and four equals seven. He stated that is what is in there. He stated that is what is in the budget and it doesn't necessarily mean that the employees are going to get it and it hasn't always happened.

Ms. Borgus asked how does anybody's salary go up \$5,000 plus a year, to be very exact, \$5,846 for the Director of Information Systems, in one year. She questioned that being 3 percent. Ms. Borgus asked if they think that is a step. Supervisor Hendershott stated he told everyone what is in this budget. He stated that is what they are talking about, is this budget.

Supervisor Hendershott stated in this budget, which is what they are talking about, this budget, 2004, there is a 3 percent cost of living for every employee, every employee. Ms. Borgus asked where does the rest come in then. Supervisor Hendershott stated then there is an increase of 4 percent for non-union and 5 percent for Union. He stated that is what is in there. He stated the second one isn't necessarily mandatory. Ms. Borgus stated that's right. Supervisor Hendershott stated the first one is mandatory for the Union people, and it up to the Board this January whether or not to award it to the non-union people. He stated that is what is in this budget.

Ms. Borgus stated she would beg to differ. She stated she has the worksheets. Supervisor Hendershott suggested Ms. Borgus come to his office. Ms. Borgus remarked if she could find him in his office, she would be glad to. Supervisor Hendershott stated Ms. Borgus could call his office any time and he would be glad up to set up an appointment with her. Ms. Borgus stated this is a public hearing and she would like it in the record.

Ms. Borgus stated the Finance Director, Ms. O'Meara, who misplaced the decimal point, her salary is now going to be estimated or planned on \$59,392 or an increase this year of \$3,299. She stated she does not think that is 3 percent or 5 percent. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would explain it one more time.

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Ms. Borgus stated people in this Town are having a hard time making ends meet, and this is unconscionable that they hand money out like this. Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not think 3 percent is unconscionable. Ms. Borgus stated it isn't 3 percent. Supervisor Hendershott stated Ms. Borgus was wrong then. He stated if she would come in and talk to him about it, he would show it to her. Ms. Borgus stated this is her public time at a public hearing.

Ms. Borgus stated the Information Systems Director, who, as Mrs. Wilcox pointed out that has the website going so outdated it is a disgrace to the Town, is going to be paid this year \$57,008 and they haven't got a decent website even to show for it. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would disagree with that.

Ms. Borgus questioned the Supervisor thinking their website is good. Ms. Borgus stated there are dead people listed on the website. Supervisor Hendershott stated obviously it needs some corrections. He stated that doesn't necessarily make it a bad website. Ms. Borgus stated it has been bad as long as it has been up. She stated it has never been good. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was Ms. Borgus' opinion, and he respects it, but he disagrees with it 100 percent.

Ms. Borgus stated maybe that is why Supervisor Hendershott is not going to be Supervisor any more. Supervisor Hendershott stated that may be.

Ms. Borgus stated the Senior Center Director now will make \$44,340 or an increase from last year of \$4,539. She stated the Assessor is going to make \$61,767, an increase of \$1,798. She stated the Secretary to the Supervisor is going to make \$44,252, an increase of \$2,407. She stated the Dog Control Officer is going to make \$44,294 or an increase of \$2,894, and she picks up 100 dogs a year. Ms. Borgus stated that is a disgrace.

Ms. Borgus stated it is hard for the people in this Town to pay this. She stated she can't imagine they could put forth numbers like this and sleep at night.

Ms. Borgus stated she feels very shut out in this public hearing that this Board was passed papers that this audience, at a public hearing, did not have access to. Supervisor Hendershott stated they're his notes. He stated Ms. Borgus was welcome to have a copy of them. Ms. Borgus stated everybody should have had a copy. She stated this is a public hearing. Supervisor Hendershott stated they are his notes, and they're FOILable if she would like a copy. He stated, in fact, all she had to do is ask him and he would be more than happy to give them to her.

Ms. Borgus stated on the face sheet of the 2004 tentative budget, page 1, on the budget summary, if one looks at the appropriation number for Highway, and the revenue for Highway, and the appropriations for the Library, and the revenue for the Library, they agree with the numbers in the budget, on these sheets. She stated, however, the number for the General Fund, they are a long way off. She stated they don't agree. She asked so how can the numbers on the sheets in the back not agree with the face sheet on the front.

Supervisor Hendershott asked if she was talking about the breakdowns from the department heads. Ms. Borgus stated she was talking about the tentative budget. Supervisor Hendershott stated it has been revised. He stated it has been revised since September 30th several times.

Ms. Borgus stated she hopes it was revised at the last meeting, but the point being, the point being that the date, the date on it is September 26th. She stated the date on the other one is September 26th, and the numbers do not agree. She stated they're a long way off.

Supervisor Hendershott stated there have been updates at every Town Board meeting. Ms. Borgus stated that is true, but what she was saying is they have a set of papers here, all dated September 26th. She stated they don't agree. Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not know why they don't agree until he looks at the numbers, but the last revisions that were made were October 17th. Ms. Borgus stated

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she understood that.

Ms. Borgus stated the front sheet does not agree with the rest of the report. She stated they have to agree. She stated they can't have numbers that don't agree with the summary. She stated right now on the particular report she had, the appropriations from the budget were \$5,032,502.91.

Ms. Borgus stated the back-up sheets on page 7 indicate \$4,869,245. She stated they are talking about a \$200,000 difference. She stated the revenue from the front sheet was \$2,423,708, and on page 8 it was \$2,422,055. She asked how come Highway and Library agree with these numbers, and the General Fund is that far off.

Supervisor Hendershott stated the point that Ms. Borgus is making is there is a discrepancy between the two numbers. Ms. Borgus stated in the same report. Supervisor Hendershott stated he thought that the answer is that Ms. Borgus just doesn't have the updated version. He stated, however, what they will do is they will rerun the numbers so the budget in the final form will all match on these pages, but he believes that is what the answer is.

Ms. Borgus stated she understands there have been updates. She stated maybe they agree now, but what she was looking at was all one report, and the pages behind the summary sheet don't agree with the report. Ms. Borgus stated they're wrong. Supervisor Hendershott stated he was not going to repeat the same thing. He asked what is the next question that Ms. Borgus has on the budget.

Ms. Borgus stated she was going to ask the same question that Mr. Powers asked before, how they can have a negative in a fund balance for an ambulance. Ms. Borgus stated what she heard was they have another decimal again put in the wrong place. Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not think that was the answer. Dianne O'Meara stated the tax revenues that were collected were not what was on the budget. Dianne O'Meara stated in the electronic submission to the County, a decimal place was moved over. Supervisor Hendershott stated Ms. Borgus was right.

Ms. Borgus stated she heard the explanation about how they have a savings account, the General Fund. Ms. Borgus stated she has had the concern for many years that they have stashed a way a little too much money. She stated she thought this year for the first time in the General Fund they are getting down to a level that is appropriate.

Ms. Borgus stated, however, she is very concerned about what is left in Highway. She stated if they take the projected fund balance for 2003, they have \$376,682 that they propose to have left at the end of 2003. She stated they are going to use \$200,000 of that in 2004.

Supervisor Hendershott asked Ms. Borgus to repeat her comment. Ms. Borgus stated they project they will have \$376,682 at the close of 2003. Supervisor Hendershott stated in the Highway Fund. Ms. Borgus agreed. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is not correct; it is \$418,267. Ms. Borgus asked has that changed. Supervisor Hendershott stated it has.

Ms. Borgus stated of that, they are going to spend \$200,000 in 2004 to go toward the highway expenses. Supervisor Hendershott agreed. Ms. Borgus asked do they realize that leaves \$218,000 and that's all that is left as a cushion. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is right, but the total amount that is going to be left in Unexpended is going to be \$940,730. Ms. Borgus stated that is if they combine the funds. She stated she was just looking at Highway.

Supervisor Hendershott stated that might be true, but if there was a need in Highway, that could be used for Highway. He stated so they really have to look at the total, the total of the three funds on this. He stated the total of it, as he said, 20 percent is what the State allows, and this is 9.9 percent of the total. He stated it is \$940,730, just a little under a million.

Ms. Borgus asked if these are interchangeable, if they ran out of money in Highway. Supervisor

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Hendershott stated they could use that, yes. Ms. Borgus asked is there a reason for taking so much then out of the Highway Fund. Dianne O'Meara stated basically it is the same statement that they made that money from the General Fund can be transferred down to Highway, but money in the Highway Fund cannot be transferred up to the General Fund. Dianne O'Meara stated they don't want to overload the Highway and not be able to utilize the surplus.

Ms. Borgus stated she does not believe, other than the year when they had the Ice Storm, she does not believe she has ever seen the Highway Fund that low, the first ice storm. Supervisor Hendershott stated 1991 she was talking about.

Ms. Borgus stated with regard to the Town Clerk's budget, Account 1410, she sees there is an item there for \$8,900 for computer training. Supervisor Hendershott stated it's office supplies, General Code updates. He stated General Code is the company that prints the code books and any of the legal stuff, and computer training. He stated so all those three are lumped together. He stated he would think computer training is probably the smallest amount of it. Ms. Borgus stated well, there again, these worksheets used to be broken down so that they were broken down. She stated every year they get more and more lumped together. She stated she knows it is easy to do it that way, but when they are dealing with this kind of money and the money that is coming out of the pockets of the taxpayers, she thought they could have a little more detail. She stated it doesn't take that much longer to get it done the way it used to be.

Ms. Borgus stated she would say as far as computer training goes, they have a Director of Information Services. She stated she just quoted his salary, which is exorbitant, and she does not believe they should in addition to that have computer training costs. She stated he is supposedly well educated or they wouldn't have hired him. She stated he, in the Board's mind, must at least be worth it or they wouldn't be paying him what they do. She stated she does not think they should pay for outside computer training for anybody.

Ms. Borgus stated in addition, she understands that there is a request from the Town Clerk to hire a part-time employee to scan microfilm documents into a server for electronic retrieval. She stated with all the staff they have in this Town Hall she questions why they can't find somebody to do a job that is of a non-emergency nature with no time constraints that could be a fill-in kind of a job so that they shouldn't have to budget for almost \$7,800 to hire yet another person to do a routine rote kind of a job. She stated she cannot believe that is true. She stated there has got to be an hour here or an hour there on the part of two or three people that they couldn't over time accomplish this without an added person on the payroll.

Richard Brongo stated essentially what they were looking at was everything that they have microfilmed is very hard to access, and they need equipment, a computer that has to be something that is set up in a station where they can take that microfilm, run it through the microfilm reading digitizer, put it up onto the computer and then be able to up-load it into a digital format so they would be able to have access to all of the records that are on microfilm. He stated to have somebody just sit down for an hour or so at a time, could even take longer than to have somebody come in. He stated this isn't a permanent position they are looking to hire somebody for. He stated it is to get somebody in until they can get all their records into the digitized format for searches and everything else.

Supervisor Hendershott stated it would aid members of the public to have access to the records.

Councilwoman Sperr stated in Richard Brongo's letter, he has it noted this is not just for the Clerk's Office but for all departments. Richard Brongo stated that is right. He stated it just fell into his budget, but it is for all of the departments.

Ms. Borgus stated she thought they are missing the point. She stated with the number of employees in this Town, she cannot believe every one of them is so busy every hour of every week of every day that sometime somewhere could not be set aside for that person to go in and put a block of time in and do

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this. She stated these are the kind of things that drive this budget up.

Ms. Borgus stated they hear they are adding one staff person. She stated as she looks through this budget, that is not the case. She stated she would give the Board a list of people when she gets done.

Ms. Borgus stated under other governmental budget 1989, she does not remember that there were ever attorneys fees in that account. She stated, in fact, she does not see any note about attorneys fees on the worksheet. She stated but yet in the memo, it says it's for attorneys fees.

Supervisor Hendershott stated there is \$8,000 for legal notices, filing fees, budget hearing notices. Ms. Borgus asked where are the attorneys fees. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is not there. Ms. Borgus stated it is in the memos. She stated it says attorney fees in Mr. Brongo's memo, page 2.

Supervisor Hendershott asked Ms. Borgus if she said 1989. Ms. Borgus stated it is 1989. She stated it is on the worksheet the way she read it. Supervisor Hendershott stated he was looking at it as legal notices, filing fees, budget hearing notices. Ms. Borgus stated it is \$8,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was correct. Ms. Borgus stated in Mr. Brongo's memo it says this includes attorneys' fees. Supervisor Hendershott stated well, probably the filing fees is what he was referring to. Ms. Borgus stated okay.

Ms. Borgus asked then on attorney Account 1420, could anybody tell her what that \$10,000 is for, miscellaneous legal services, when right above it they have a list of many, many attorneys, each one with a budget in itself. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would refer to their counsel as to what makes up the miscellaneous legal services.

Richard Stowe stated he would not be all that enlightening with regard to how the budget breaks down. He stated there are Article 7 tax certiorari cases. He asked Dianne O'Meara if they pay those out of the miscellaneous item in that. Dianne O'Meara stated those are under miscellaneous. She stated in past years, there have been times when they have had to go outside and hire another law firm or attorney, for something specialized.

Richard Stowe stated he could speak to the fact that in the budget, the tax certiorari number he was talking about, Gates & Adams have in the past handled most of the tax certiorari cases. He stated he can also confirm that the condemnation matter that was brought up earlier was in one case referred to a special counsel to negotiate a settlement. Richard Stowe stated he believed there was a conflict of interest in another matter in a previous year that arose with an employee when he himself owed a duty not only to the Town but the employee, as well, and they had to go outside on that particular issue. He stated those are the only two that he could recall.

Ms. Borgus stated it is kind of hard for a taxpayer to swallow when there is already, just above this in the worksheets, special itemizations for \$82,000 for other attorneys. She stated they are not talking about one attorney that has a problem with a conflict of interest. She stated they have a variety of attorneys here, three of them that she sees right off the top of her head. Ms. Borgus stated it seems to her the attorneys' account is padded.

Ms. Borgus stated with regard to Account 1440, again, they should not be paying \$55,000 in engineering fees and not have their own engineer. She stated they could have a full-time engineer of their own. She stated this is ridiculous to do this. She stated this is wasteful. Ms. Borgus stated she has brought that up many, many times.

Supervisor Hendershott stated they have looked at this. He stated the problem is, in engineering, like many other fields, there are a lot of specialties, and when they go out and contract with a firm, the firm ends up having all of the different specialties, where if they had their own person, that person wouldn't be able to do everything and they still would have to go out. He stated plus they should not lose sight of the fact that there are other associated costs with having their own engineer that they don't have to pay

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on this.

Ms. Borgus stated that is right. She stated but they would have a full-time person on staff, where this is just somebody called in on an add-needed basis. Supervisor Hendershott stated they haven't had any instances where they have not been able to be serviced.

Ms. Borgus stated it just doesn't seem logical to her. She stated they are growing. She stated the Town needs more and more engineering services and she thought it is time they looked into it. Supervisor Hendershott stated they do look into it every year.

Ms. Borgus stated with regard to the Director of Information Systems here, 1680, there is other \$2,000 in there, plugged in there for professional services. She stated again, for what they pay this man, he should be able to do what needs to be done. She stated they shouldn't be looking outside under contractual. Ms. Borgus stated he is getting paid \$57,000 with a 42 percent increase in three years. She stated that ought to entitle them to have full service without going outside for anything computerwise.

Ms. Borgus stated speaking about computers, she would like to look at the equipment. She stated on Mr. Levey's memo dated July 11th, he states that computers have a three-year life. She stated they should tell that to every one of the people that pay taxes that they should go out ever three years and buy a new computer. She stated they would love to do it, but they don't.

Ms. Borgus stated that is the most ridiculous thing she ever heard. She stated computers are not in their infant stage. She stated she does not believe any computer can be worn out in three years. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is not a question of wearing it out. He stated it is the difference in the technology, in the software.

Ms. Borgus stated there are many people that work in the Town and their computers sit and gather dust because some of them don't know how to use the one they have on their desk, so they don't need to be replacing them or give them better ones. She stated Mr. Levey states in the memo the power users will have current computers replaced, and then he says displaced PCs will also be used by document management programs. She asked what are they talking about there. She asked how are they going to take all these PCs and use them in a document management program. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would have to get the answer to that.

Ms. Borgus stated she was also surprised in Mr. Levey's memos when he budgeted himself two salary increases this year. She stated she figured it right in for the Board. Ms. Borgus stated she would like to have budgeted herself an increase when she was working.

Ms. Borgus stated on insurance, Account 1910, she sees their insurance now has gone up from 2002 to 2004. She stated it has gone up from \$148,000 to \$195,000. She stated she would bet her bottom dollar, again if she asks the same question she has asked many times before, they still have not gone out to bid on this huge item. She stated it is an increase of 31 percent over two years, an increase of \$46,636, and they just keep paying it.

Supervisor Hendershott stated it is not one policy. Ms. Borgus stated she knows that. Supervisor Hendershott stated every single policy is shopped. Ms. Borgus stated she knows that, but only among the companies that their current vendor can get. Supervisor Hendershott stated they have the availability to go to all vendors. Ms. Borgus stated they went into this before, last year.

Supervisor Hendershott stated all insurance companies don't offer the same types of insurance. Ms. Borgus stated they could vary a little bit. She stated if there is just a little difference, they could live with it if they could get a better price, she was sure. Supervisor Hendershott stated and if they can, they will.

Ms. Borgus stated there are many people selling insurance and they should not be going constantly with

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the same firm and doing the same thing and seeing their costs go up 31 percent in two years. Supervisor Hendershott stated he thought that is industrywide. Ms. Borgus stated well, they don't know, though, because they don't ever check. Supervisor Hendershott stated yes, they do.

Ms. Borgus stated she would not name names but their current provider may check within the firms that he can deal with, but they don't go further than that out to check. Supervisor Hendershott stated they deal with all of the firms. Ms. Borgus stated she does not believe any insurance man, insurance broker even can deal with just any insurance company he chooses. She stated she does not believe that is the way it works. She stated they limit themselves in the scope of where they look. Supervisor Hendershott stated he disagrees on that.

Ms. Borgus stated with regard to Account 1910, she would like to look at the letter from Mr. Vail to Dianne O'Meara dated July 24th. She stated she was having a little problem with that because both of those columns are labeled with the same heading. Supervisor Hendershott stated it should be 2004 for the first one.

Ms. Borgus asked with regard to Account 1955, whose arrears are those. Supervisor Hendershott stated this was a PILOT agreement they had that they were paying them more than what they were supposed to, and when they discovered that, they made arrangements to pay it back instead of in one lump sum, periodically. Ms. Borgus asked who they owe this to. Dianne O'Meara stated it is the County.

Ms. Borgus asked how long are they going to pay that. Dianne O'Meara stated she believes it was for five years. Supervisor Hendershott stated this is the second year, so three more after this.

Ms. Borgus stated according to the 2003 budget on the worksheet, there was no payment. She stated there wasn't anything in 2003. Supervisor Hendershott stated it may have been out of a different account. Supervisor Hendershott stated it was overcollected. He stated when it was discovered, they worked out an agreement with the County, and there are three years left on paying that.

Ms. Borgus stated then the worksheet is incorrect. She stated they made payments last year; they're not on this year's. Supervisor Hendershott stated he just got through saying it may have been paid out of a different account. Ms. Borgus asked what account did they pay that out of. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would have to go back and look and get that information for her.

Ms. Borgus stated under Traffic Control, Account 3310, the charges for signs, sign posts and road paint, in 2002, the actual amount spent was just a little under \$2,000. She stated this year it is 14,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was correct. Ms. Borgus asked why. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is because previously the County picked up that cost, and with their budget problems, they're discontinuing doing that.

Ms. Borgus stated well, it was still \$12,000 last year and \$14,000 this year. Supervisor Hendershott stated it was a decision made by the County. Where before they supplied all of that to the Town at no charge, he stated now they're charging them. Ms. Borgus stated it is up even more than last year. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is up \$2,000 this year.

Ms. Borgus asked if developers put in their own road signs. She stated they put the road signs up, so they are not initially responsible for those. Supervisor Hendershott stated that's right. He stated that is part of the dedication. He stated when they dedicate the road to them, they have to have the signs.

Ms. Borgus stated Account 3510 is the Dog Control Account. She stated this is one of her real favorites because the Dog Control Officer is budgeted for \$44,274, and then she has a part-time helper for another \$8,000, to pick up about 100 dogs a year. She stated she does not know how in the world they can justify a \$2,894 increase in her pay, in one year. She stated they could explain it to her again about the 3 percent and the 5 percent, and she does not care how they figure it out. She stated there is

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no way that that comes up to that, can come up to that. Ms. Borgus stated that is a 27 percent increase in four years.

Ms. Borgus stated and on top of that, first they said they would have one vehicle replaced which is a packer, but clear as anything, she sees truck replacement from the general fleet reserve on here for \$19,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated he would explain that again. He stated it is noted in there, but if they look under the proposed budget item, there is a zero there. Supervisor Hendershott stated what this is is making note that truck is going to be replaced. He stated, however, as he stated back in the beginning, the funding is not coming out of this budget. He stated it is coming out of a reserve fund, which is not part of this budget. He stated that is why the zero is there.

Ms. Borgus remarked guess what; it is still their money. She stated it is still their \$19,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated he didn't say it wasn't. Ms. Borgus stated she gets tired of putting money in little pockets and acting as if they didn't. Supervisor Hendershott stated he never said it doesn't matter. He stated those are Ms. Borgus' words she is putting in his mouth.

Supervisor Hendershott stated what he said was is that it was going to be replaced, but it wasn't going to be paid out of this budget. He stated there was nothing inaccurate about that, and it is also noted in here. Ms. Borgus stated she sees that, but they put little asterisks on and put a zero after these amounts like they don't count. Supervisor Hendershott stated it doesn't even have to be in this. He stated this is the budget.

Ms. Borgus stated she talked to Joseph Carr today and again, there is no vehicle replacement plan in place for this year. Ms. Borgus stated here and there, they can pick it up. She stated this is one of the pieces that gets picked up. Supervisor Hendershott stated it is not a part of this budget.

Ms. Borgus stated she would like to talk about truck replacement. She stated the truck that dog catcher has would not need to be replaced probably if it weren't being driven around not only their Town but a lot of miles in Riga, which she never can figure out. She stated she does not know why she spends so much time in an adjoining Town. Supervisor Hendershott stated she is in other adjoining towns, too. He stated there are other responsibilities that take her out of the Town. Ms. Borgus asked if those involve catching dogs. Ms. Borgus asked is she catching dogs in other towns. Supervisor Hendershott stated she is not.

Councilwoman Sperr stated she does more than catch dogs. Ms. Borgus questioned what. She stated that is what she does, 100 dogs a year.

Ms. Borgus stated she wanted to look at another one of the additions to staff that they claim aren't here. She stated if one looks at Mr. Kress' memo to Dianne O'Meara dated July 25th, the last paragraph at the bottom, it says, "Please note, that the second Code Enforcement Officer position is proposed to be full-time." Ms. Borgus stated she calls that added people.

Supervisor Hendershott stated there are two code enforcement officers by position title in that department right now. Supervisor Hendershott stated one of them is working part-time, however, it has been budgeted as full-time.

Ms. Borgus stated that is her point. Ms. Borgus stated if they have a part-time time person and they change them to full-time, they aren't adding people. She stated they aren't adding hours. Supervisor Hendershott stated she misunderstood what he said. He stated budgetarywise they are not because this has been in the last three budgets. He stated if it is utilized, that is a different story. He stated but budgetwise, the position has been in those budgets, so this is nothing new into this budget.

Ms. Borgus stated they are saying the number doesn't go up, but the hours and the pay are probably going to go up. Ms. Borgus stated they had it padded in there and nobody used it. Ms. Borgus stated now it is being padded and they are going to do it. She stated that is added staff. She stated she does

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not care how they slice it.

Ms. Borgus stated she would like to look at 5182. She stated she sees with all of the way they have handed money out, especially for raises like it was Christmas around here, when Christmas comes they are evidently not going to have any holiday light decorations. She asked is that right. Supervisor Hendershott stated that account is for new purchases. Ms. Borgus asked why is it under streetlights then. She stated that should be electricity. Councilwoman Sperr stated it is its own line.

Supervisor Hendershott stated this is the cost of the holiday light decorations. He stated they are not buying any new decorations. He stated they are using the decorations they had. Ms. Borgus stated this is an equipment budget, in other words. Supervisor Hendershott stated well, it is under contractual, but they are not going to purchase any new Christmas lights. Dianne O'Meara stated that was correct. Supervisor Hendershott stated but they are utilizing the Christmas lights they had. Joseph Carr stated that was correct. Councilman Slattery stated they're holiday lights.

Ms. Borgus asked then why is it under contractual. Supervisor Hendershott stated they probably did it under contract. He stated there is probably more than just the light fixture itself. He stated they have to do more; they have to install them. He stated there are a number of things they have to do on these things.

Ms. Borgus stated she would like to look at programs for the aging. Supervisor Hendershott asked what number. Ms. Borgus stated Account 6772. She stated she heard what Mr. Barnett said and she agrees with him wholeheartedly. She stated unless they go out and try to get volunteers, they should not be hiring more people.

Ms. Borgus stated this is not only a bus driver. She stated they want kitchen help. She stated they want to start paying kitchen help. She stated they want to start paying a clerk/typist part time. She stated she shutters when she hears they say that they are adding one position.

Supervisor Hendershott stated they have someone down there. He stated it is not new. He stated actually the hours have been reduced downward. Ms. Borgus stated she thought if they will look at Mrs. Bacon's budget narrative that follows that worksheet, they will see her explanation.

Supervisor Hendershott stated one has to keep in mind on those narratives, those are submitted at the time that the department heads submit their budgets, and there are some things that even though they requested them, that they do not get. He stated they don't go back and update them.

Ms. Borgus stated it is on the worksheet and she believes that is the total carried forward to the budget. She stated if they look at the total, she believes they will see that is carried forward to the tentative budget, so that is included.

Ms. Borgus stated she herself worked down at the Senior Center for 2 1/2 years in the kitchen, and if they start to pay some of the people, the volunteers will not be there because they won't work side by side with somebody that gets paid. She stated they either pay everybody or they pay nobody, but they can't pay part of the people and think they will hold volunteers. She stated that doesn't work.

Ms. Borgus stated as far as Mrs. Bacon having to go out and drive the van, she does not think that hurts her, not for the kind of money she makes. Supervisor Hendershott stated he thinks it is a waste of money. He stated it is no different than the Recreation Director mowing lawns. Ms. Borgus asked how often does it happen. She stated this is not a regular situation. Supervisor Hendershott stated just because it is not frequent doesn't mean it is good.

Ms. Borgus stated she cannot agree with Item Number 2 where she says security is a concern when she is there alone. She stated a lot of people work in an office by themselves and she does not think that is a reason, to be so frightened they have to hire somebody to come and sit with a lone employee. She

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stated that is a lot of bunk.

Councilwoman Sperr stated she is entitled to her opinion. Ms. Borgus stated she is, but they budgeted for it. Councilwoman Sperr stated they did not expand or add anything. She stated that is an existing position, clerk typist for \$4,000. Ms. Borgus stated she would check on that. She stated that was not her impression when she went through it.

Ms. Borgus stated they have Recreation Administration Account 7020. She stated they already have two full-time clerk typists and three part-time clerk typists in one department and now they want to pay two interns. She asked how much help does it take to run that office.

Ms. Borgus stated if they look at Mr. Bacon's memo, in the second paragraph, he wants to pay two interns. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is a program that may or may not take place. Ms. Borgus stated but it is in there. Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not see it in the budget. He stated it was in his narrative.

Ms. Borgus stated it is on the worksheet. Supervisor Hendershott stated he did not see it on the worksheet. Ms. Borgus stated it is the second item from the bottom on personnel. Supervisor Hendershott stated this is a program that is through SUNY Brockport. Ms. Borgus stated she knows what it is. She stated they don't need more help. Ms. Borgus stated the people in this Town can't just keep paying, paying, paying.

Supervisor Hendershott stated they have had interns for the last three years, by the way. Ms. Borgus stated yes, but she did not believe they have been paid. She stated if they have been, the worksheet doesn't reflect it. She stated he has zero for the prior years. Supervisor Hendershott stated he does not think the program has changed. He stated it is the same.

Ms. Borgus stated if one looks at the worksheet, under 2003, it says zero. She stated there is money there this year.

Councilman Powers stated Councilwoman Sperr just made a comment that they didn't fund that. He asked referring back to the worksheet, what did she mean they didn't fund that. Supervisor Hendershott stated technically they have not funded anything.

Councilwoman Sperr stated the proposed budget, they did not agree to fund the request. Councilman Powers asked who agreed when she said "they." Councilwoman Sperr stated in general speaking. She stated the Supervisor's proposed budget does not include funds for that. Councilman Powers stated when she said "they," he was assuming that she was implying that meant the rest of the Board. Councilwoman Sperr stated no, absolutely not. She stated in general, they are the Board sitting here with the budget in front of them, and as a generality she said "they." She stated it is the Supervisor's proposed budget. Councilman Powers stated he was just checking.

Ms. Borgus stated however, if they look at page 6 of the tentative budget, it compares with the numbers on the worksheet. She stated it is transferred right over, so they can't say it isn't in there and they didn't fund it.

Supervisor Hendershott stated so Ms. Borgus doesn't think there should be any part-time people in the Senior Center. Ms. Borgus stated she does not. Ms. Borgus stated she thought they should look to other volunteers. She stated other places do. She stated times are hard and they have to recognize that people just can't keep paying forever.

Ms. Borgus stated another thing is they should raise fees for out-of-Town participants in recreation programs. Supervisor Hendershott stated they have done that every year since 2000. Ms. Borgus stated they ought to look at it again this year. Supervisor Hendershott stated they will look at it again.

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Ms. Borgus stated she would like to look at 8160, Refuse and Garbage. She stated the packer replacement is in this budget, and that is the \$84,000. She stated she talked with Joseph Carr late this afternoon, and he tells her it is replacing a truck from 1989. She stated this is not a truck that is used year round. She stated she is wondering if because it is in there, at least they have discussed repairs or something that would necessitate the purchase of a new one.

Supervisor Hendershott stated they always look at cost of repairs versus the cost of a new one. He stated when these pieces of equipment age, especially big pieces of equipment like what is down there, the repair costs tend to be quite expensive. Ms. Borgus asked what was the reasoning for why they should do this now.

Joseph Carr stated he did not have his notes with him, but this has been an expensive year for repairs, and in addition, as he explained to Mrs. Borgus this afternoon, the cab and chassis are an odd style, and it is becoming increasingly difficult to get replacement parts and make repairs on it. He stated it is becoming very frustrating. He stated in addition to the high cost, they are having difficulty keeping it maintained, and he would like to replace it while there is still some value. He stated it is a piece of equipment that they use three and four times a week and throughout the winter, when they are able, to pick up debris at curbside when they don't have the snow cover. He stated it is an important piece of equipment in the delivery of service and they need to have a reliable piece of equipment. Joseph Carr stated it is not reliable any more.

Ms. Borgus stated they have another packer. She stated this is not their sole packer. Supervisor Hendershott asked how many other packers do they have. Joseph Carr stated they do own another packer, but that is essentially side lined. He stated that is a 1985 model that they use in the leaf program, and they use it when this item they are discussing is in the repair shop. Joseph Carr stated it is only a back-up. He stated it is only retained, as he discussed with the Board, for supplementing the leaf program and as a back-up.

Supervisor Hendershott stated okay. Ms. Borgus stated let's go down a little further on that same account. She stated the worksheet is very confusing at the bottom because they have lines, and then they have dumping fees, and then nothing following it, and then tree service work and everything is in a different line. She asked where these numbers are supposed to be.

Supervisor Hendershott stated he thought that the dumping fees were \$32,000 for 2002, and the tree service work, the \$21,000 is in this year's budget, and \$3,000 is in next year's budget. Ms. Borgus stated but the \$23,000 isn't on the same line with the \$21,000. Supervisor Hendershott stated he just explained what it is. Ms. Borgus questioned why they can't get things on the right line here. She stated this is very confusing. She stated people who keep good books don't have things on different lines.

Ms. Borgus stated so they don't have any dumping fees then. Supervisor Hendershott stated they do not. Ms. Borgus asked what are they doing with their junk this year. Ms. Borgus asked if they had \$32,000 before for dumping fees, why don't they have anything in there this year. Joseph Carr stated what is listed under contractual are any fees for the disposal of the materials that they collect. He stated some of those items include dumping fees and tree service work when they have large trees to get on the ground that they don't have the ability to get down. He stated under item 4, it is lumping of those services. He stated what they are indicating here are each year the expenses or projected budget.

Ms. Borgus stated so they are saying where these numbers are up and down all over this page, they all should belong on the same line and they're a combination of both items on the left. Joseph Carr stated actually he didn't say that. He stated what he said was they are talking about being on the correct line. He stated what he is talking about is the dollar amount per year. He stated the purpose of that is for the services that are listed in the first column.

Ms. Borgus stated maybe when they do this again they could be more careful about this so it would make sense to somebody who doesn't work with these all of the time. She stated when she sees

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numbers two lines from the one before and the next one, a line, and they all pertain to the same thing, it is mighty confusing.

Ms. Borgus asked under 8540, can somebody explain to her what the \$10,000 is under Phase 2 storm water regulation compliance. Joseph Carr stated when they talk about Phase 2 storm water regulations, it is a federally mandated program administered by the State, the guidelines are given by the State, but it falls to the locality to implement, and there are six categories under there. He stated they are under a five-year permit, certainly things they have to accomplish.

Joseph Carr stated one of the things that they need to do is develop a good inventory, including mapping of all of their storm drainage facilities. He stated they need to develop ordinances, procedures for construction, post construction. He stated they need to do some public application. He stated they are part of a coalition of all towns and villages within Monroe County. He stated they are starting incurring expenses next year in the implementation of that program. He stated so they have budgeted a \$10,000 amount to start those efforts, to start paying the cost.

Ms. Borgus asked is that going to include the expense for the global positioning system that is on tonight's agenda. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is not part of it.

Ms. Borgus stated when she talked with Joseph Carr earlier tonight, she asked him about this global positioning system and he implied that the cost to run that, or to use it, was going to come out of drainage. She asked so is that part of the labor cost, under drainage. She stated is that part of the \$54,000.

Joseph Carr stated he thought the question asked a minute ago was is this money going to help pay for the purchase of that piece of equipment. Ms. Borgus stated that was not her question. Joseph Carr stated as he recalls, that was the question, and so his answer was, no, it isn't. He stated that money is not for the purchase of that piece of equipment. He asked for the question again.

Ms. Borgus stated it is going to take educated, trained people to use this global positioning system and do what they need to do to map storm water lines. She asked is the labor to do that, for trained people, included in the \$54,000 under labor. Joseph Carr stated it would not include labor for Town employees. He stated this is a contractual item. He stated it may be used to pay for some consultant help in the gathering of that data and the operating of the GPS system, but it wouldn't go for paying their employees' labor.

Ms. Borgus stated her next question is going to be then are they going to hire a consultant, quote/unquote to do all of the work with this global positioning system. Joseph Carr stated they are not. Ms. Borgus stated well, that is in the public record. She stated she was sure the stenographer got it, and she will be sure that that is the way it turns out. Ms. Borgus stated they have so much equipment in this Town now that nobody knows how to operate. She stated they want to be on cutting edge, but they never seem to make use of all of the things they buy. She stated a lot of things just sit and gather dust and she hopes this will not be another one.

Supervisor Hendershott stated he does know of any equipment that sits. Ms. Borgus stated she does. She stated lots of computers sit idle. She stated maybe they're used for word processing, but they have incredible capabilities. She stated when they bought top of the line equipment, they installed all kinds of software and people play games on them and do word processing and that is a waste.

Ms. Borgus stated she would like to look at Account 9040, Workers' Compensation. She wanted to know how that adds up. Councilwoman Ignatowski stated she asked that of Dianne O'Meara when she went through it. Ms. Borgus stated it doesn't add up. Supervisor Hendershott stated his adds up.

Ms. Borgus stated they are saying Workers' Compensation has gone up, yet two years ago, according to this sheet was \$245,106 and the proposed budget is going to be \$40,000. She asked so what

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happened to the other \$205,000 on this expense that was supposed to be so elevated.

Dianne O'Meara stated there were revised worksheets that were distributed. Supervisor Hendershott asked but is there some of the Workers' Comp. in another account besides this. Dianne O'Meara stated the actual dollar amount was \$32,000 that was spent. She stated the revised worksheet was sent out.

Ms. Borgus stated but the budget reflects just the numbers that are on the worksheet. Supervisor Hendershott stated they are back in the same discussion about outdated sheets. Ms. Borgus stated she gets tired of mistakes when they have people that are supposedly trained. Supervisor Hendershott stated everyone is not as perfect as Ms. Borgus. Ms. Borgus stated they shouldn't have this many mistakes, bottom line. She stated she does not know how anybody can miss \$205,000 on a worksheet and not know it.

Ms. Borgus stated the next thing she would like to look at is medical insurance, budget 9060. Ms. Borgus stated employees should assume some of these costs and that is what is done in other towns. She stated she has seen numerous articles in the D&C lately involving other towns and companies, lots of them lately where the employees have had to assume more and more of the cost of their health care, and that is towns included, and Chili is not any different than any other Town.

Ms. Borgus stated she has one more question on the Library. She stated she saw the sign in the Library that said due to funding provided by the Town Board, that the Town Library would now be open on Sunday through 2004. Supervisor Hendershott stated through, he thought, April is what they have in the budget, if that budget is approved.

Ms. Borgus stated her next question is, it is not 2004 and it is open, so where did the money come from. Supervisor Hendershott stated because they found some extra money in their 2003 budget. Ms. Borgus asked was it brought before this Board. Supervisor Hendershott stated no, and it doesn't have to be, because they have total control over that budget. He stated all that they do is come to the Town Board for the total amount. He stated the Town Board has no say in what any item is in that budget, and if they budget X amount and they decide hypothetically they are not going to buy any more books this year, and use that money to have Sunday hours, they have the ability to do that.

Councilwoman Ignatowski stated that is what they did do. She stated they decided they wanted to try the Sunday hours, so they took it out of books.

Ms. Borgus stated she thought in all fairness to the taxpayers, then the sign that at least was up in the Library should be changed to reflect the facts. She stated if they read that sign, it implies this Town Board approved money for them to be open from now until whatever. Supervisor Hendershott stated well since the Town Board approved their budget, he guess that is accurate.

Ms. Borgus stated she hopes the Town Board takes some of these things under account. She stated as much as they would like to blame all these increases on Workers' Comp. and the Pension Fund, by the same token then they should cut back some of the salaries that are ridiculous in view of the fact they have these problems. She stated she does not think everybody should just be automatically given one or two raises a year and have the audacity to plug them in a budget. She stated although it is a given, it is not Christmas and people in this Town know it when they pay their tax bill.

Gail Lyle

Ms. Lyle asked are they saying employees are going to get 3 percent raises, and then there is a possibility of a 4 percent merit raise, and then the Union is going to get 5 percent. Supervisor Hendershott stated that was correct.

Ms. Lyle stated she was just wondering how they expect people who are getting 2.5 percent cost of living raises in January under Social Security, in which part of that is going to be taken out for the cost of Medicare, how are these people going to be able to keep paying to live here in Chili. She stated she

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would think someone who makes \$61,767, that seems like a lot to her to live on and she can't understand why they need more.

Ms. Lyle stated this Thanksgiving instead of being thankful, many Kodak employees are going to be holding their breaths because there is going to be another cut. She stated this on top of the fact that more people are going to lose their jobs at Kodak in January. She stated this ripple effect affects all of them both as individuals and in businesses. She stated some wages at Kodak have already been frozen where they are. She stated this she knows for a fact because she has a family member who is involved in it.

Ms. Lyle stated seniors are skipping doses of medication, eating less, keeping furnaces turned down, going to bed early because they can't afford electricity bills. She stated some have lost benefits because companies have gone under. She stated they lost a lot in stocks. She stated young families are now beginning to feel the pinch. She stated many are in debt up to their ears and are lucky if they're still working.

Ms. Lyle stated more children are being left home alone. She stated some parents are eating less to make sure their children are able to eat. She stated it is not the poor any more in this Town. She stated it is the middle class that is having a hard time and asking for help. She stated she would think this alone would be enough to hold the line on any increases in spending.

Jim Stalker, 31 Mapleton Drive

Mr. Stalker asked on the issue of the packer truck, what is the expected amount they would be able to sell the existing packer for. Joseph Carr stated at this point, he has not had an assessment done. Supervisor Hendershott stated they generally take that to auction and find that that is the way they get the most out of these trucks. Mr. Stalker asked if these trucks are bought through the State bid process. Supervisor Hendershott stated that is correct.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:10 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Town Board - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 19, 2003 at the Town Hall

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.