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Mayor Samwick: All right, great. Okay. So welcome to the April 14 2020 meeting of the village board. Roll call, please, Wisconsin.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Sd ours.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Here on the panel.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Here. What's the Lewis.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Here, mostly Ross.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Here. What's the Baron

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Village Clerk Conkling: Here Mr Wellman

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Village Clerk Conkling: Here your summer.

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Mayor Samwick: Here arise for the pledge, please.

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Village Attorney Steinman: Please use the

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Trustee Crandall: Flag.

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Mayor Samwick: Of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands.

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Mayor Samwick: One nation.

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Mayor Samwick: Under God

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Trustee Ross: Indivisible,

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Mayor Samwick: with liberty and justice for all.

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Mayor Samwick: Do we have a motion to approve the minutes of the march 24 2020 orbiting

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Trustee Ross: So moved.

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Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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Aye.

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Mayor Samwick: As for mayors comments.

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Mayor Samwick: I'm sorry bills and payroll first

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Mayor Samwick: Trustee ours.

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Trustee Arest: Thank you.

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Trustee Arest: pull this up. I wanted the abstract of claims data April 14 2020 and the amount of \$1,059,339 and 35 cents.

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Trustee Arest: Which includes \$9,395 and 14 cents of library claims previously audited by a trustee of the library board. I've found the claims to be an order and I moved that they'd be approved for payment.

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Trustee Crandall: Second,

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Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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Trustee Arest: Aye. Aye. Aye, of examine the payments which were made in advance of a board of trustees audit totaling 770 \$1,542 and 72 cents and have found them to be in order, and move that such payments be ratified.

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Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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Aye.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you. Interesting.

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Mayor Samwick: Now on to mayor's comments.

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Mayor Samwick: As recently was stated by Fordham University President father McShane we are in a moment of peril and a moment of great goodness

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Mayor Samwick: I will start with the peril.

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Mayor Samwick: That we still face. We are beginning to hear that we have reached the apex, as well as here in the early discussions about easy restrictions that been somewhat successful and constraining the spread of the coronavirus

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Mayor Samwick: It is still important for us to continue to be diligent to battle the VAT virus as victory is not yet one

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Mayor Samwick: As Governor Cuomo expressed yesterday, quote, we are controlling the spread of the virus, but progress will be incremental he continues to worst is over. If we continue to be smart and quote

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Mayor Samwick: Our path to normalcy may begin as early as next month, but this is a path, not an immediate resumption of regular activities, the pandemic will not be over until there is a proven vaccine.

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Mayor Samwick: Is important that we listen and follow instructions to

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Mayor Samwick: Protect against a relapse or a second wave of infection. We have worked collectively to make real progress and our collective efforts will determine our course until an effective vaccine is available.

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Mayor Samwick: Moving on to the great goodness we have seen

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Mayor Samwick: The generosity of spirit that we have seen has been nothing short of extraordinary and is necessary to continue to save lives and to help those in need. Please keep doing what we have done. I will now provide other ways in which we may help each other through this trying time

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Mayor Samwick: Plasma and blood donations. People have recovered from coven it may have high levels of immunity in the form of antibodies their plasma can be used to help save the life of another struggling to survive.

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Mayor Samwick: please consider donating plasma. If you have recovered from the coronavirus

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Mayor Samwick: Mount Sinai and White Plains hospital Montefiore have regional locations that will be accepting plasma donations, and you may volunteer to have your blood tested for high levels of antibodies

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Mayor Samwick: If you're interested

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Mayor Samwick: Please contact Mount Sinai, or white. White Plains hospital Montefiore White Plains Montefiore screening will also be taking place at the score still medical group office on his coat road.

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Mayor Samwick: What donations have been dramatically reduced due to social distancing and the cancellation of blood drives. Many people have asked how they can help. And this is a very straightforward way in which people making may contribute

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Mayor Samwick: Those interested in donating blood may reach out to a number of different organizations that were noted

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Mayor Samwick: In number of different publications, we put out, including a BB, which is at [www att.org](http://www.att.org) America's blood centers which is at [www America is blood.org](http://www.America.is.blood.org) the American Red Cross.

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Mayor Samwick: at [www Red Cross blood org](http://www.Red.Cross.blood.org) armed services blood program at [www military blood do](http://www.military.blood.do) D AMP L or blood centers of America at [www pca.co](http://www.pca.co)
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Mayor Samwick: Thank you to all who donate for your life saving generosity.

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Mayor Samwick: Needed p, p, there is real ongoing need for personal protective equipment or pee pee at medical centers and for first responders, please consider donating any pee pee.

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Mayor Samwick: Pee pee, you may have to share with our first responders, including the fart Scarsdale fire, police and volunteer ambulance Corps.

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Mayor Samwick: White Plains hospital or other medical providers constituents may donate good services or space to New York state's

response to the coven 19 public health emergency by emailing I can help at Westchester gov com

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Mayor Samwick: Mental health and mindfulness during the crisis, Governor Cuomo announced last week that New York State has partnered with headspace to provide New Yorkers with free meditation and mindfulness resources.

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Mayor Samwick: As the governor's announcement note a quote we can't underestimate the impact as public health crisis has had on mental health.

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Mayor Samwick: New Yorkers can access a collection of free guided meditations, along with that whole mindfulness exercises and additional resources to help address rising stress and anxiety, please visit [www dot head head space.com](http://www.headspace.com) backslash NY

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Mayor Samwick: And quote, I have to say that I have gone to that website. I've utilized the services and I recommend it. This is a very stressful time for everybody and and this is a this is a very good resource put together by the state.

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Mayor Samwick: New Yorkers may also call the code 19 emotional support hotline at 1-844-863-9314 for mental health counseling New York State has been actively engaged in providing mental health resources to assist residents struggling during this highly unsettling time

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Mayor Samwick: Health insurance New Yorkers without health insurance can apply through the New York State of Health through May 15 2020 residents must apply within 60 days of losing health insurance coverage New York State of Health may be accessed@[www.ny state of health.ny.gov](http://www.ny.state.of.health.ny.gov)

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Mayor Samwick: Village budget update the village will hold a public budget hearing this evening and must adopt its budget no later than May 1 to comply with New York State requirements.

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Mayor Samwick: That you just as a quick aside the public hearing is listed on our agenda after managers comments. However, it was in the

public notice stating it would start at 8pm. Therefore, the public hearing on the budget will not commence until 8pm this evening and the agenda will be adjusted accordingly.

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Mayor Samwick: The file tentative budget has been posted on the village website and will be addressed at the above at the budget hearing this evening.

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Mayor Samwick: The approach the village is taken to manage its current fiscal and fiscal 2021 budgets, is to one. Identify near term threats to revenues.

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Mayor Samwick: To prepare a downside analysis to identify revenue threats three identify primary sources to fill expected revenue gaps and for

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Mayor Samwick: Identify secondary sources to fill the downside revenue gaps. The village manager and Treasurer have accomplish these goals and the Village Board has supported staffs recommendations.

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Mayor Samwick: In their approach to managing this time of economic strain the Village Board has stated that it is seeking to make thoughtful and responsible adjustments to the fiscal 2021 budget.

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Mayor Samwick: Based on data that that continue to become clearer rather over the coming weeks and months. The village will also continue to search for ways to recognize the financial strain that many residents are dealing with at this time.

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Mayor Samwick: social distancing please be diligent in social distancing went outside of the home. Governor Cuomo announced the state is increasing the maximum fine for violations of the state's social distancing protocol from \$500 to \$1,000 to help address the lack of lack of adherence to protocols.

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Mayor Samwick: It is critical for management of the pandemic that we strictly adhere to social distancing for our own benefit, and for our friends and neighbors, especially those who are most at risk.

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Mayor Samwick: also inform your children of the importance of social distancing. We thank you for your diligence whether online on a store or walking around the village, it is up to each of us.

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Mayor Samwick: Landscaping New York State has clarified guidance on landscaping. Please note that only work which is quote for maintenance and pest control purposes has been designated as essential and quote

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Mayor Samwick: Therefore, please have your landscapers refrain from planting decorative plants. So, you are welcome to do so yourself.

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Mayor Samwick: Leaf blowing

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Mayor Samwick: I would like to remind our residents that the local leaf blowing ban for our gas powered leaf blowers goes into effect on June 1

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Mayor Samwick: Please be sure to limit the use of gas powered leaf blowers starting in June, a number of people have asked whether leaf leaf blowers. And they also spread the coronavirus

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Mayor Samwick: To date, the New York State Department of Health has not issued any guidance that indicates that the virus may be spread by leaf blowers.

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Mayor Samwick: Should the New York State Department of Health you issue any guidance that may link leaf blower use to the spread of the virus. The village will immediately accelerated span on the use of the flowers.

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Mayor Samwick: Census, the census is underway participation in the census as important as federal dollars are allocated based on Census data.

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Mayor Samwick: I was informed yesterday that Scarsdale participation rate so far is strong with over 60% of residents responding to the census

surveys. So for those that have not yet completed their census surveys, please do so. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: And in conclusion, the village remains committed to providing essential services and preparing for the difficult weeks ahead.

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Mayor Samwick: As well as the time in the not too distant future, when we return to a new normal. See that is rooted in the past, while incorporating learnings from current adjustments that we are all making

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Mayor Samwick: Well, I know the uncertainty of the weeks ahead weigh heavy on residents minds and hearts we must continue to have hope and take comfort in strength of our community and its resilience

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Mayor Samwick: Reach out to neighbors and friends to say hello and just connect together we will face this and together we will overcome this adversity.

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Mayor Samwick: We need each other, more than ever, and while we cannot be together we can be together apart, he will. And please stay at home manager.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Thank you, Mayor sandwich

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Continue.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Discussing the call with

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Pandemic I thought I would spend a few moments and give the board and and and the community a brief update as to, you know, what's been happening from a, from an administrative and operational side of

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Of this pandemic.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: The first piece of news I can report is that, in accordance with a recent executive order from Governor Cuomo the village hall has been closed the extended closure.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Through April 30 in accordance with that executive order by the governor. So the village hall will continue to be closed through the end of this month.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Talk a little bit about the

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Village Manager Pappalardo: The departments and what we've been up to here in terms of managing this this emergency as well as hoping to provide

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Continue continued services to the community. During this situation.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: First, I'll talk a little bit about austerity.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Spending

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So most already spending is limited to costs associated with the cobra 19 emergency operations, including personal services overtime equipment, supplies, as well as for the continuation of essential village, public health, safety and welfare services. I think it's very important point.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Obviously we've got a we've got to manage this crisis and we've got to spend some money to do that departmental and otherwise.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: But we still have a village government operate and there are still other public health, safety and welfare services that we need to provide a while we deal with

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So we will be spending money in those areas as well. But I think that's the key component of public health, safety and welfare. So these would include

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Continued police patrols and enforcement of both Coburn related executive orders and just cry criminal activity and other things that the police department does on a day to day basis. Fire Department Of course they are ready to serve first responder

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Public Works and

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Related administrative oversight.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Expenses so

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Village Manager Pappalardo: From an austerity spending standpoint cope with 19 emergency operations, first and foremost, but some public health, safety and welfare related

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Services. We will also continue to fund it. I'll talk a little bit more about what they meant might be when I go through the departments. So first, let's talk a little bit about the

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Police Department.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: WHAT THEY'RE DOING PRIMARILY right now is accompanying the scars volunteer ambulance Corps on most of the MS calls. They don't tend to patients, but they're there.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: For support and they're there to help a Ms. If needed, with other other services as they tend to patients. As I mentioned, they also providing patrols village wide on a daily basis.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Currently, one of the things that they're doing is enforcing social distancing and in our parks and playgrounds, which are currently closed and the school grounds as well.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Also construction and landscaping activity that's prohibited under the governor's executive orders the mayor mentioned landscaping earlier that only landscaping thats related to general maintenance is allowed, not ornamental and planting and so forth. And for construction activity. I'm

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Just about every construction site in the village on residential single family residential homes would be considered non essential and so

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Village Manager Pappalardo: The police department is keeping an eye on that those activities in conjunction with our building and engineering staff, which I'll talk about a little while, as well. With regards to the police officers and how they're doing health wise, they're holding up very well.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: We currently have one officer that's out with Copa

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Village Manager Pappalardo: They're following the CDC guidelines for first responders which were just updated last week.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Which allows a little more leeway for the officers and and those that our first responders to continue to work if they're not feeling well. There are certain triggers that would require them to stay home.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: But we're doing well. As far as that's concerned.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Not as well with the fire department, the department continues to provide emergency services in their area. Unfortunately, we've had a number of our firefighters come down with with

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So their home recuperating

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Village Manager Pappalardo: This has had, you know, an adverse impact on overtime in that department and the chief and I are talking now about how we can work through some of those issues.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Public Works.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Our focus with the DP W department currently is.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Sanitation collection, we consider that obviously an essential service to provide for the residents and a public health issue if we if we didn't. What we've done early on in sanitation is bring in highway water and facilities maintenance crews from those divisions to work with our sanitation.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Employees on cruise. There are five crews that go out every day with three people on a on a on a crew. We've got one sanitation.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: individual employee working on each one of those crews and then we've mixed in highway water and facilities. What's this done is it's allowed us to have a split shift. So we've got a group of

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Sanitation employees that are working one week and another group that's working on the second week, so they're working one and on and off and off one that's worked very well. Our Sanitation Department employees.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Have been, you know, healthy and showing up for work every day. We've had a couple of blips but we've been out there picking up garbage recyclables we're going to start picking up the spring waste the yard waste, it'll be at the curb.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So we've had a good success with what what was set up by our superintendent and it's working out very well and our crews are working very hard out there. One of the things that I like to just

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Ask the community to be cognizant of that we do have some people that are working on the sanitation routes that are not familiar with them.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So as you know, we have curbs. I'm sorry. We have rear yard collection of garbage and twice a week, and they're having some issues, finding the garbage.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Containers on site. So just asking for those residents in the village to make sure that you put your garbage out in an area.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: That's visible from the driveway, whether it be, you know, the apron of the driveway by the street or

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Village Manager Pappalardo: You know out by your in front of your garage, but somewhere. What they were the workers can actually see it. So they don't have to circle around the house lose time and then not be able to find and pick up because we then we have to go back a second time.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Highway crews, as I said are helping with sanitation.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: What we are able to put a few highway crews out every day. And they're focusing again on health, public health, safety and welfare items.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Tree crews going out to remove dangerous trees, we're focusing on sanitary and storm sewer maintenance and repairs.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And any has it as street repairs that are that are necessary potholes and other things that could be that could be dangerous and cause harm to two vehicles and people

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Were also our DP W facilities crews are also sanitizing all of the village facilities on a weekly basis, whatever buildings are open their sanitizing. They're also sanitizing DP W vehicles.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And they're getting around and doing a terrific job with that we have fogging machines that we've purchased so they can hit every, every spot and all of our in all of our facilities, and I think that's really helping with keeping our staff.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Healthy and on the job. And of course, the central garage mechanics are working as well on any mechanical issues that come up and preventative maintenance.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: On the on the equipment to trucks and the apparatus to keep our first responders out there working the water department as maintaining normal operations.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: As I mentioned earlier, there assisting with sanitation as well. So they're depleted a bit, but our pump station operate operating is our pump stations are operating very smoothly.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Our pump station operators are healthy and doing their job should something happened to them. We do have backups.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Contractual services in case we need them. So far, we haven't needed them. I hope we don't

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Village Manager Pappalardo: We've had a handful of water leaks that required our staff to go out our crews to go out and fix, but all in all the water department is in very good shape. And we continue to provide water for for all of our customers.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Building an engineering our inspectors have after these executive orders came out.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Relative to construction and landscaping activities, our inspectors have been out contacted contractors contracted

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Terrific landscape Association members and have inspected all of the sites with open building and open street permits and close them down, pursuant to the governor's Essential non essential construction executive orders.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: It's very time consuming and, you know, obviously, there's lots of concerns and questions from our residents.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: But, you know, we have to be able to maintain social distancing and we need to enforce these executive orders for the good of everybody and for public safety concerns.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Flexibility is really limited based on the health crisis and at these sites. So we just ask people to understand

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Village Manager Pappalardo: That there's a greater cause right now and we're just trying to do our jobs will be as flexible as we can to assist

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So again, we're also actively inspecting these landscaping activities. This is going to be a you know a concern for us over the next couple of months as the landscapers

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Village Manager Pappalardo: find their way into the village for spring cleanup and so forth so they can cut the grass, they can do maintenance work, but they're not allowed under the order of the existing water to plant to do landscaping work to plan ornamentals to plan annual flowers to plant trees.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Not allowed a police department and building department will be out there.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And the building and planning the planning office is currently working with our IT department and our council on protocols for for reconvening the land use boards that have been out of pocket. Now for close to two months.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So more to come on that. We'll see if was it as a way to do that so that we can you know try to move some of the piles in that area as well. And we'll do that through zoom obviously

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Recreation also focusing right now on on grounds maintenance via our contractor.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And also feel maintenance in house with our maintenance crews that are out there, you know, we're looking forward towards the tennis courts as well. We're looking forward towards the summer activities and the programs that we hold, we, we hope that

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Village Manager Pappalardo: You know, at some point, the community will be able to get back to some sense of normalcy, and we want them to be able to enjoy our recreation programs as part of that.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So campaigns. When the opening the swimming pool our town them out on our, on our minds. Right now, we're working towards both of those programs, but with an eye towards

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Spending the least amount of money that we possibly can to get prepared in case this pandemic continues longer than we all hope it does.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So right now, we've we've actually gotten word from the county health department today.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: That we would not be in a position to open up the pool on Memorial Day as we normally does, which is early this year the 23rd of June, and

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Village Manager Pappalardo: I'm sorry 23rd of May. So we're planning on, you know, pushing that out for a month. And we're going to hold off before we start to spend real money on getting that those pool complexes ready

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Before we do that, we've got a whole schedule. We've got six weeks of lead time. I don't want to bore the public with all the fine details, but that's the general idea. And same thing with the day camp.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And it looks as if we're going to have access to the school building. So we're planning to have our camp but

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Village Manager Pappalardo: We're not expanding any any real money right now not hiring anyone. We're still taking a wait and see approach, but we'll be ready when the time comes, and we'll have to make these decisions, you know, as it relates to, you know, the lead time that we need

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Our human resources department is hard at work or Human Resources Director has been handling all coven HR matters.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: personnel policy and protocols that have been put in place. I'm working closely with employees and department heads relative to sick leave CDC do he guidance and interpretations

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Village Manager Pappalardo: All the employees that may feel like they may may have been exposed or aren't feeling well, are calling the HR director directly and she's managing that whole operation.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: With with the department heads and the employees.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And it's been it's been working out well. And we've been able to, you know, pivot accordingly, as some of these executive orders are are amended.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: our IT department is assisting all of our employees that are presently working both from home and you know and reporting to one of our village facilities.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Call volumes have decreased the IT director reported today over the, over this past week. So I think most of our employees are getting comfortable with working remotely and we're happy about that.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Our IT director is also actively managing our hardware and software and monitoring activity for cyber threats which are which are omnipresent.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: This zoom has had trouble with that recently I've been reading. So hopefully that won't be an issue for us here.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Our assessor staff has been staggering coming in to working home to one site.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: They've got some statutory deadlines that have not been extended. So we've got to get ready for our tentative assessment role. We had exemptions.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: With deadlines of that would do on May one, our new assessor has reached out with with her staff to over 50 seniors that we had on record for some of the senior citizen exemptions.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And assisting them with trying to get their applications in for the main one date.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Which also includes income tax returns, and if they can't get those in. Now we can use last year's so she's been she's been great and trying to reach out to the seniors and we've also got an item on the Village Board meeting tonight, which

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Would allow for the Village Board to adopt a local law, which would extend that may one deadline.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: To the third Tuesday in June, which is grievance day and that would be the last day that they could actually file for the exemption that's provided for in the state.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And the state real property tax law. And so the board will be considering that tonight the treasurer's office is always busy no different. Now,

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Village Manager Pappalardo: We've got a combination of staff is working combination for remotely and that philosophical

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Beliefs Treasurer McClure is staggering, staggering that accordingly. But they've got county tax billing and collection that they've that they've handled bi weekly payroll.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Investment of village monies purchase order processing and review Mary Lou and I have been hard at work on the 1920 and 2021 budget review and analysis.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Which the mayor mentioned earlier, and lots of constituency services with phone and email increase, especially since she's got tax bills out there.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And we have a lot of residents who are not in Scarsdale right now and can't travel back so they're helping them to understand what their tax bill is

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And payment options and so on and so forth, always a very busy department, the Justice Court as well. Our clerk and judge have been since we shut the doors and village hall contacting defendants and attorneys with court dates.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: To inform them that the code is temporarily suspended until further notice and assure them that their right to a trial and due process will be upheld wants to court reopens and

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Our clerk is already working on a schedule for all these folks that still have to come pay us a visit at some point when we open up

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Village Manager Pappalardo: So, um, yeah that's that's pretty much it.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Just, you know, as a as a summary as the village manager here, I can tell you i'm i'm extremely pleased with

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Village Manager Pappalardo: With the commitment of our of our professional staff and all of our workers that are out there working hard trying to keep themselves safe and continuing to provide the services.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: To the community that they need that they need provision for. We take pride in that and we're doing our best to manage through this. This is, you know, we've had, you know, plenty of experience with emergency management, but nothing like this before.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: But we've got people showing up. They're dedicated they're working from home and and once you have that

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Village Manager Pappalardo: You know, with some management will make it happen. And from a financial standpoint, we're doing everything we can to protect the village right at this particular point in time.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Both with austerity and also with thinking about what needs to be done with the 1920 budget and the 2021 budget moving forward. So thank you, Mayor for the time and that's all

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00:57:00.420 --> 00:57:18.090

Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much manager and. And again, you know, I feel like I say this regularly and I still don't say it enough, the job that you're doing the job, the department heads are doing the job IT staff is doing across the board is really almost beyond description. It is 24 seven

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Mayor Samwick: And as you just stated, we've dealt with with crises before we've dealt with natural disasters before we've never dealt with anything quite like this. We've never dealt with.

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Mayor Samwick: An artificial closing of village hall and artificial closing of a number of facilities and a limitation of number of people, and yet.

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Mayor Samwick: There is continuous delivery of services, the amount of dedication, the amount of professionalism that that we're seeing is really outstanding. And so, you know, commend you, the department heads and staff are really an incredible job.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Done. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you, Mayor and one one.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Operation that I don't think I mentioned, because they're not under the auspices of the village government is the scar cell volunteer ambulance Corps, who have just been incredibly amazing

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Hearing every call they get

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Village Manager Pappalardo: David racing. The President has been very instrumental in finding P P and other supplies for us and he reported to me today that that they haven't lost a single volunteer yet and

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Village Manager Pappalardo: It's just amazing, because they're going on all of these calls and they're treating all of our residents, you know, to the best of their ability and and and that has not been easy.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: both physically and psychologically and we all owe them a real debt of gratitude as volunteers for this community for all that they're doing and will continue to do to help us get out of this situation where with the pandemic. So thanks to them.

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Mayor Samwick: I second that in its entirety, you know, they are really at the frontline here what they're doing, day in, day out. They are in harm's way like

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Mayor Samwick: They've never seen before. And again, just to remind the community that is a volunteer organization. It is not affiliated with the village.

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Mayor Samwick: It is not funded by the village. It is funded by donations and the community and the community have been very strong supporters historically of the ambulance corps and

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Mayor Samwick: We are reaping the benefits of that today. So with that, again, we're going to adjust the agenda, a little bit the public hearing is is going to start in

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Mayor Samwick: 20 minutes. So why don't we move to public comments. I asked that public comments be limited, as usual, two to five minutes.

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Mayor Samwick: And also not address the budget as that will be handled during the public hearing which will follow. So if anybody wishes to be heard and have a comment, please raise your hand.

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Mayor Samwick: Give me just a moment. Burke.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay. Bobby you there.

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Robert Berg: I am here.

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01:00:10.830 --> 01:00:28.470
Robert Berg: Okay, I have two comments to make. The first is ministerial Donna Conklin you know I had had a email conversation at the end of March, I had noticed when I had reviewed the minutes of the march 10 the board meeting that

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01:00:29.250 --> 01:00:35.790
Robert Berg: There was a transcription error about my summary in my summary rendition of my public comments.

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Robert Berg: Those were the comments about that doctor who had been invited by the board to talk about the Colbert 19 issue, and he had made all those crazy racist statements and I had stated

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Robert Berg: That the quote in the board minutes from March 10 state he stayed make referring to me. He stated that what makes things worse is that the mayor or the board members told him to stop.

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Robert Berg: That's actually the opposite of what I said I had said, what makes things worse is that the mayor or the board members failed to tell him to stop.

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Robert Berg: So Donna had told me I should make the statement on the record here tonight, and that would correct the Minutes and for posterity, we would have a videotape of it. And that's on now and we can move on from that, the second letter is tonight you guys met an executive session at 530

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Robert Berg: And I'm happy to hear from Steve that only one police officer is out with covert 19 I'm somewhat surprised and unhappy to hear

that a number of firefighters are out sick. Can you tell us, Steve, how many are out. We have 46 career firefighters.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Is currently I believe there are six out well.

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Robert Berg: Is there any particular reason. You know that they were not protecting themselves or is there. I mean, the police seem to have done a fantastic job of protecting themselves. It's a little concerning that we have so many

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Cool, yeah.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Sure, ya know, we were concerned for them as well and and and you know the chief is spoken with them about, you know, being sure to protect themselves away from work.

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01:02:24.540 --> 01:02:37.620

Village Manager Pappalardo: Both further, you know, both for their own health and and their loved ones and also you know as a, you know, responsibility for the job. So, you know, we're not happy that they're that they're out. We don't want them to be sick.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: And certainly, it's a, you know, had an impact on our, on our operation.

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Robert Berg: Sure, and also with respect to overtime.

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Robert Berg: Seems to me that are above we have 58 volunteer firefighters and perhaps some of them could substitute. Some of the shifts from the career firefighters to reduce the overtime expenditures, given the economic straits that we're in.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Well, there are complications with that Mr Berg, which, you know, I don't want to discuss now, but I understand what you're saying.

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Robert Berg: Okay, that's all my comments for this point. Thanks.

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Mayor Samwick: You're welcome. Thank you, Bob.

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Mayor Samwick: Anybody else wishing to be heard during public comment.

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Mayor Samwick: Please just raise your hand on the

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Mayor Samwick: Zoom here personally take care of this for a second.

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Okay.

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Mayor Samwick: Alright, not seeing anybody else wishing to be heard just everybody know there is a second public comments section of the meeting at the end of the meeting. And again, we will be opening up the public hearing for

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Mayor Samwick: For budgetary purposes. Trustee Crandall there's there's something unique to say this point.

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Village Attorney Steinman: She's muted.

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Mayor Samwick: Yeah, I'm trying to unmute her at the moment.

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Trustee Crandall: Here we go on mute. So I thought we were moving on to

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Trustee Crandall: Trustee liaison reports. That's why I raised my hand.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay, so I will introduce that right now. So now we do.
Are we are moving on to trustee these reports trustee Crandall

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Trustee Crandall: Thank you so much.

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Trustee Crandall: Thank you, Mayor Scarsdale residents. This here is the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. The first Earth Day was organized by Senator Gaylord Nelson in 1970

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Trustee Crandall: Here's a quote from him. It still rings true today, quote, the real wealth of a nation is its air, water, soil forests rivers, lakes, oceans scenic beauty wildlife habitats and bio diversity.

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Trustee Crandall: Take this resource away and all that is left is a wasteland. Close quote. So of course given you know the current situation, we do not have any events organized for Earth Day.

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Trustee Crandall: But there are some things you can do, if, if you so wish now that your home. Take a look at your yard, you may see that there are small trees coming up. If they're in a good location, please let them grow if not consider transplanting them elsewhere on your property.

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Trustee Crandall: Please do not move them to any village land because that's not allowed. There's no planting on village land without permission.

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Trustee Crandall: On windy days, please prevent your recycling from blowing around when you're out walking and if you can do so safely with gloves on, please pick up any litter, you may find

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Trustee Crandall: Donate to your favorite environmental nonprofits. We certainly have the Friends of Scarsdale parks and it helped quite a bit with local of projects, but there's so many more out there to choose from and take the time to learn about environmental issues.

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Trustee Crandall: So please, just try to do something in honor of the 50th anniversary of Earth Day this year. We also have Arbor Day on Friday, April 24 as you heard the mayor say

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Trustee Crandall: You cannot ask any professional to plant a tree, but you can plant your own tree or as I mentioned before, you can

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Trustee Crandall: Try seedling also please remember that given the recent storm, it's important to have your trees inspected by n is a certified arborist.

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Trustee Crandall: When you find one make sure that they will do the inspection for free. Most of them in the area will provide this service. It is an essential service they are allowed to work.

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Trustee Crandall: And they're certainly allowed to keep you safe. So with that everyone happy Earth Month, please do what you can. As long as you're in town more to, you know, to help us clean up and move forward and stay healthy. Thank you so much.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you dress to Crandall

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Mayor. Can I just mentioned.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: To the board that

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Village Manager Pappalardo: The village was again awarded the tree City USA Award for

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Which we normally would celebrate at order.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Okay.

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Mayor Samwick: I trust you.

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Trustee Veron: Thank you, Mayor, I would like to provide a report on the library at the liaison.

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Trustee Veron: Last night I attended a library board zoom meeting to conduct essential business and I have a few updates the first comes from the building committee work at the library site is ongoing, but certainly slowed as we had to adhere to guidelines for safe work spaces during coven

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Trustee Veron: Going forward, the impact of this crisis on the project budget and schedule remain unknown, but the building committee and our village construction efforts led by Paul like check

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Trustee Veron: Are committed to the safe and successful project completion currently scheduled for August substantial completion.

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Trustee Veron: As has been the case from the beginning, the library leadership values, transparency and will continue to keep the community informed.

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Trustee Veron: While we are plagued by covert stressors. We do hope that our community has had a chance to enjoy a positive moment on either your daily walk or drive by

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Trustee Veron: When catching a glimpse of what has come coming the glass wrapped reading gallery that faces the pond has most certainly captured our collective imagination.

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Trustee Veron: Strategic Plan as I previously mentioned the library board library staff and Friends of the Library partner to complete a comprehensive strategic plan designed to guide future library priorities.

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Trustee Veron: The plan is visionary and flexible and will meet the changing needs of the community.

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Trustee Veron: I know the Village Board looks forward to a time when director from our strategic planning committee will be able to share the plan.

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Trustee Veron: in greater detail. But in the interim, the strategic plan is posted on the library website for communities perusal and finally from director

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Trustee Veron: vermeil about current operations. The library staff has been working hard to provide services remotely and learning as they go.

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Trustee Veron: Their email accounts are being monitored Monday through Friday so people can get library card to renew cards and that has become a very popular service all done online.

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Trustee Veron: Title request for ebooks are filled within 48 hours and content has been created an update on the website daily

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Trustee Veron: Since they can't help in person. The library supporting the community digitally, and they have featured on the site ebooks e audio entertainment online programs and so forth.

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Trustee Veron: Libraries corners of new feature on the website highlighting employees talents and interests virtual book recommendations. So I encourage everybody to take a look and see what's online.

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Trustee Veron: Online learning opportunities also exist. They're offering online programs for adults and children, and I'll let you and direct you to the website.

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Trustee Veron: But there are even things like yoga classes that are starting march 20 so to the mayor's comment about emotional

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Trustee Veron: And psychic well being. We can use the avail ourselves of the library resources. So I just wanted to let everybody know you can follow the library on their website, Facebook, Instagram, and also in huge capital letters.

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Trustee Veron: Beth vermeil says we missed seeing everyone. So there's a desire to come together. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you trusted her on we miss her to in the library as well and can't wait to to move into the new library when when the time comes. I'm trusting. Wildman I believe you had something as well.

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Trustee Waldman: Yes. Thank you, Mayor as liaison to the Scarsdale edge. My family counseling services. I attended a zoom meeting with the safe coalition last week.

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Trustee Waldman: The safe coalition has an important message for the community. They recognize that social distancing and isolation places families where there was violence in the home at high risk.

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01:11:47.610 --> 01:11:57.390

Trustee Waldman: There was great concern for physical and emotional safety in homes where there was violence of any kind, domestic child elderly, etc.

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01:11:58.530 --> 01:12:18.090

Trustee Waldman: They have listed some basic tips that I would like to share with the community. First, keep the lines of communication open and stay in touch with your support network, whenever possible, create a safety plan, including how to leave the home if this is necessary.

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01:12:19.980 --> 01:12:26.460

Trustee Waldman: share your concern and any history of violence at home with someone possibly even the police.

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01:12:27.240 --> 01:12:44.580

Trustee Waldman: Provide to contacts a seemingly innocuous word or phrase that you can use to alert them that you are in a potentially dangerous situation so that somebody can call for help. And please, just know that there is help and resources available, stay safe.

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01:12:46.080 --> 01:12:46.860

Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust you. Well,

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01:12:47.970 --> 01:12:57.630

Mayor Samwick: Let's move to the annual meeting resolutions, I'd like everybody to know that, where we have Asterix on the resolution that calls for a vote.

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01:12:58.830 --> 01:13:07.080

Mayor Samwick: So I will begin the mayor announces that previous assignments made by the mayor and approved by the Village Board last year via resolution date April 9 2019

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01:13:07.560 --> 01:13:13.350

Mayor Samwick: A copy of which is on file with the village clerk or hearing continued until otherwise amended to have a second

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01:13:14.610 --> 01:13:14.880

Trustee Arest: Second,

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01:13:15.480 --> 01:13:16.260

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:13:16.800 --> 01:13:17.130

Aye.

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01:13:18.900 --> 01:13:32.910

Mayor Samwick: Resolved. Actually, I guess we didn't need that there wasn't a resolution here. But what we did. Anyway, rust off that pursuant to the provisions of Section 57 dash one of those codes Stephen M peple auto is hereby appointed village manager for the current official year

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01:13:34.830 --> 01:13:35.160

Second,

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01:13:36.300 --> 01:13:36.990

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:13:37.680 --> 01:13:37.980

Aye.

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01:13:39.450 --> 01:13:46.110

Mayor Samwick: Resolve that pursuant to the provisions of Section 57 dash one of the village CODE. ROBERT Cole is here by appointed assistant village manager.

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01:13:46.500 --> 01:13:54.810

Mayor Samwick: And further appointed deputy village manager pursuant to the revisions of Section 57 dash three of the village code for the current official year

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01:13:56.760 --> 01:13:57.570

Mayor Samwick: We have a second.

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01:13:59.550 --> 01:13:59.970

Trustee Waldman: Second,

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01:14:00.270 --> 01:14:01.080

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:14:03.900 --> 01:14:14.940

Mayor Samwick: And I messed up and did that a little too early. So we'll do it next one as well. Resolve that pursuant to the provisions in Section 57 dash one of the village code and good Richard says here by acquainted assistant village manager for the current official year

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01:14:15.540 --> 01:14:16.020

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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01:14:16.410 --> 01:14:17.190

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:14:17.490 --> 01:14:18.150

Trustee Veron: Aye. Aye.

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01:14:19.590 --> 01:14:26.910

Mayor Samwick: Pursuant to the profits of section three dash three or one of the village law, the mayor here by appoints Donna and Conkling as village clerk.

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01:14:27.420 --> 01:14:36.630

Mayor Samwick: For the statutory term of two years resolve that the appointment of Donna and Conkling as work for the statutory term of two years is here by improve

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01:14:37.200 --> 01:14:53.370

Mayor Samwick: The village clerk states that, pursuant to the provisions of Section four dash 402 village law and the opinion of the State Controller 362 comma 119 60s. She hereby appoints Veronica regarded as deputy village clerk for the current official year

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01:14:54.030 --> 01:14:54.450

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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01:14:54.930 --> 01:14:55.770

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:14:56.370 --> 01:14:56.760

Aye.

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01:14:57.900 --> 01:15:08.400

Mayor Samwick: pursuant to the provisions of Section four dash 400 village law, the mayor hereby appoints Mary Louise mclemore his village treasure for the statutory term of two years resolved.

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01:15:09.150 --> 01:15:24.480

Mayor Samwick: That the appointment of Mary Lou's Mary Louise the, sorry about that. And Mary. Mary Louise mclemore, my apologies on that as village treasurer for the statutory term two years is here by approved.

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01:15:25.680 --> 01:15:26.130

Trustee Veron: Second,

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01:15:27.180 --> 01:15:28.110

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:15:28.440 --> 01:15:29.610

Trustee Arest: Aye. Aye.

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01:15:30.030 --> 01:15:31.380

Mayor Samwick: The suits of the provisions.

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01:15:31.470 --> 01:15:34.020

Mayor Samwick: Of section four dash 400 a village law.

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01:15:34.350 --> 01:15:46.050

Mayor Samwick: The mayor here by appoints Maria Claudia as deputy village treasure for the current fiscal year resolved at the appointment of Maria Claudia as deputy village treasure for the current official year is hereby approved.

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01:15:46.710 --> 01:15:49.380

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor. Aye.

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01:15:50.400 --> 01:15:57.960

Mayor Samwick: pursuant to the provisions of Section four dash 112 and they are hereby appoints McCarthy finger LLP by Daniel Posen Esquire.

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01:15:58.290 --> 01:16:08.070

Mayor Samwick: As village attorney for the current official year resolve that the appointment of McCarthy finger LLP by Daniel posing Esquire as village attorney for the current official year is hereby approved.

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01:16:09.180 --> 01:16:09.540

Trustee Lewis: Second,

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01:16:09.660 --> 01:16:09.960

Trustee Arest: Second,

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01:16:10.230 --> 01:16:11.040

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:16:13.680 --> 01:16:23.850

Mayor Samwick: Soon pursuant to the provisions of section three dash 301 and four dash 400 a village law, the mayor here by appoints Cynthia K done as acting village justice for the current fiscal year.

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01:16:24.720 --> 01:16:30.270

Mayor Samwick: Resolve that the appointment is Cynthia K done is acting village justice for the current official year is hereby approved.

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01:16:30.990 --> 01:16:32.880

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:16:33.180 --> 01:16:33.960

Trustee Ross: Aye. Aye.

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01:16:34.740 --> 01:16:35.220

Mayor Samwick: Sir, sir, two

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01:16:35.400 --> 01:16:38.040

Trustee Veron: Versions myself from them. Next comment.

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01:16:39.930 --> 01:16:54.390

Mayor Samwick: Okay, pursuant to the provisions of Section 11 see of the New York State domestic relations law, the mayor hereby appoints chain Verizon as marriage. OFFICER FOR TWO YEAR TERM AND IN APRIL 2 2022 resolved.

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01:16:55.080 --> 01:17:09.300

Mayor Samwick: That the marriage officer should receive no compensation perform their duties and be at further resolved that the appointment of Jane bear on his marriage. OFFICER FOR TWO YEAR TERM and ending April 2 2022 or until such time as successors or appointed is here by confirmed

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01:17:09.870 --> 01:17:11.610

Mayor Samwick: So, all in favor

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01:17:11.940 --> 01:17:12.750

Trustee Ross: Aye. Aye.

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01:17:13.590 --> 01:17:21.690

Mayor Samwick: pursuant to the provisions of Section four dash 400 and village law, the mayor here by appoints Lucas Meyer to serve his village historian for the current official year

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01:17:22.080 --> 01:17:31.440

Mayor Samwick: Resolve that the appointment of Lucas Meyer to serve as villages story for a term ending April 5 2021 or until such time as the successor is appointed is hereby approved.

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01:17:33.090 --> 01:17:33.630

Mayor Samwick: Second,

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01:17:33.870 --> 01:17:35.220

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:17:37.950 --> 01:17:46.860

Mayor Samwick: Mayor here by reappoints barbershop McDonald to serve as associate villages story in for a term ending April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:17:47.520 --> 01:17:56.580

Mayor Samwick: The mayor here by appoints jack Miller's serve as associate villages story in for a tournament in April 5 2021 or two until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:17:57.240 --> 01:17:58.830

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:17:59.520 --> 01:18:00.210

Trustee Veron: Aye. Aye.

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01:18:00.300 --> 01:18:00.570

Trustee Arest: Aye.

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01:18:01.230 --> 01:18:01.770

Mayor Samwick: The mayor, the

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01:18:02.190 --> 01:18:06.180

Trustee Arest: Mayor. I think these are your prerogative. I don't think you need to, well, doesn't matter.

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01:18:06.210 --> 01:18:10.830

Mayor Samwick: I think you're right. But I'm seeing Asterix so I'm following the guidelines. I was given

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01:18:11.670 --> 01:18:13.110

Mayor Samwick: So I'm going to do it one more time.

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01:18:13.410 --> 01:18:15.360

Mayor Samwick: Than they are here by reappoints Georgian

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01:18:15.660 --> 01:18:23.430

Mayor Samwick: And Callahan is chair of the traditional qualifications Advisory Committee for a term ending April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:18:24.540 --> 01:18:25.020

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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01:18:25.470 --> 01:18:28.650

Mayor Samwick: All in favor. Aye. Fantastic.

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01:18:30.510 --> 01:18:43.770

Trustee Veron: Thank you, Mayor, be it resolved at the regular meetings at the Board of Trustees of the villages Scarsdale for 2020 2021 be held in Rutherford Hall in village hall located on post road between crane and pop them roads.

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01:18:44.340 --> 01:18:51.660

Trustee Veron: On the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8pm except during the month of July, August, and December 2020

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01:18:52.110 --> 01:19:02.310

Trustee Veron: And march 2021 as identified below, and that special meetings may be called by the mayor as necessary July 28 2020 8:30am limited agenda.

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01:19:02.790 --> 01:19:21.210

Trustee Veron: August 25 2020 8:30am limited agenda December 22 2020 8:30am limited agenda and march 23 2021 8:30pm do we need to note Council about zoom meetings are that over the executive order.

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01:19:24.180 --> 01:19:24.420

Trustee Veron: Now,

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01:19:25.050 --> 01:19:34.500

Village Attorney Steinman: I think that it probably be worthwhile to subject to pending executive orders from the governor uses the meeting schedule.

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01:19:35.520 --> 01:19:44.370

Trustee Veron: Subject to pending executive orders from the governor. This is the meeting schedule and be further resolved at the agenda coordination meeting.

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01:19:44.730 --> 01:19:52.710

Trustee Veron: Of the Board of Trustees shall meet 30 minutes prior to every scheduled meeting of the Board. Again, subject to executive order.

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01:19:53.160 --> 01:20:03.000

Trustee Veron: And be it further resolved the scars and choir and the journal news are hereby designated the official village newspapers and be at further resolved that JPMorgan Chase.

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01:20:03.510 --> 01:20:11.910

Trustee Veron: HSBC Bank m&t bank and the cooperative liquid assets security systems class administered by public trusted advisors LLC.

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01:20:12.390 --> 01:20:21.690

Trustee Veron: ARE HEREBY designated as official depositories of the funds of the village of Scarsdale and be at further resolved at PR so intersection 10 of the General Municipal Law.

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01:20:22.110 --> 01:20:43.650

Trustee Veron: The maximum amount which we which may be kept on deposit at JPMorgan Chase and HSBC Bank be set at \$70 million and a maximum amount of \$15 million may be invested in class m&t bank and any other financial institutions subsequently specified in Section 311 of policy fiber one

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01:20:43.920 --> 01:20:45.630

Trustee Veron: Investment of village money's

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01:20:47.460 --> 01:20:48.180

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:20:50.460 --> 01:20:54.030

Trustee Lewis: Please record me as a no vote. It releases the last result. Thank you.

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01:20:55.350 --> 01:21:10.440

Trustee Arest: Just ers. Thank you. And I apologize if I mispronounce anyone's name for the Board of appeals resolved that Amy Cooper is hereby reappointed as a member of the board of appeals for a term ending April 7 2025 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:21:11.190 --> 01:21:13.410

Trustee Arest: Resolved with Jeffrey Walker is hereby

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01:21:13.410 --> 01:21:20.790

Trustee Arest: reappointed as chair of said board for a term ending April fifth 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:21:21.570 --> 01:21:23.250

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:21:23.970 --> 01:21:24.330
Mayor Samwick: All right.

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01:21:25.620 --> 01:21:35.430
Trustee Arest: Now for the Board of architectural review resolve that Christian Callahan and Suzanne Craig and Donut are hereby appointed as members of the Board of architectural review for TERMS ENDING

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01:21:35.430 --> 01:21:39.720
Trustee Arest: April 3 2023 or until such time as successors are appointed

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01:21:40.170 --> 01:21:52.290
Trustee Arest: And be a further resolved that Lisa Roman Efrat is hereby appointed as a member of said board to fill the unexpired term of an rose Simon and then April 5 2021 or until a successor is appointed

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01:21:52.740 --> 01:22:05.610
Trustee Arest: And be a further resolved that Nicola Rosen Dorf AND TAMARA jaan jaan in Lee are hereby appointed as alternate members of said board for terms and the April 3 2023 or until such time as successors.

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01:22:05.880 --> 01:22:16.800
Trustee Arest: Are appointed and be at further resolved that Jamie Khayyam is here by reappointed to surface Chair of said board for determining April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:22:17.520 --> 01:22:18.030
Trustee Crandall: Second,

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01:22:18.420 --> 01:22:19.140
Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:22:19.500 --> 01:22:20.160
Trustee Lewis: Aye. Aye.

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01:22:21.300 --> 01:22:32.910
Trustee Arest: Cable TV Commission resolved that Matt ciesla is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the cable TV commission to fill the unexpired term of Dan crowd ending April 3 2023

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01:22:33.450 --> 01:22:46.260
Trustee Arest: Or until such time as a successor is appointed and be a further resolved that Michael Rubin is hereby reappointed to serve as

chair of said commission for a term ending April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:22:46.920 --> 01:22:48.720

Mayor Samwick: Second favor

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01:22:50.370 --> 01:22:50.610

Trustee Ross: And

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01:22:50.700 --> 01:22:59.610

Trustee Arest: Now the advisory council and communications resolve that severe Ahuja and read a pan are hereby appointed to serve.

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01:23:01.740 --> 01:23:02.970

Trustee Arest: As members of the advisory

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01:23:02.970 --> 01:23:12.600

Trustee Arest: Council on communications for TERMS ENDING April 4 2022 or until such time as a successor is appointed think it's a Hoosier. I apologize.

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01:23:12.930 --> 01:23:17.700

Trustee Arest: And be a further resolved that you'll Serling is hereby appointed to serve as a member of city council.

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01:23:17.910 --> 01:23:32.580

Trustee Arest: To fill the unexpired term of Mary Louise Perlman, and the April 5 2021 and be a further resolved Derek RUIIN Berg is hereby appointed to surface Chair of city council for term and the April 5 2021 or until such time as the successor is appointed

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01:23:33.900 --> 01:23:34.590

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:23:34.860 --> 01:23:35.160

Aye.

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01:23:37.680 --> 01:23:39.720

Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much. Trustee is trust you, Ron.

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01:23:40.350 --> 01:23:51.300

Trustee Veron: Thank you, mayor. This is for the arts advisory council near, be it resolved that Amy esta daddy is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the advisory council.

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01:23:51.630 --> 01:24:11.070

Trustee Veron: To fill the unexpired term of Mary Louise Perlman ending April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed and be it further resolved that Dr. Robert Shire is hereby appointed as chair of set council for TERM ENDING April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:24:11.760 --> 01:24:12.720

Trustee Ross: Second. Second.

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01:24:12.930 --> 01:24:13.380

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01:24:15.690 --> 01:24:27.480

Trustee Veron: library board, be it resolved that Jordan Copeland is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the library board for a term ending April 7 2025 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:24:28.110 --> 01:24:29.880

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:24:30.570 --> 01:24:30.750

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01:24:32.310 --> 01:24:45.450

Trustee Veron: Planning Board, therefore, be it resolved that Deborah Patrick is hereby appointed to serve as a member I think planning board for TERM ENDING April 7 2025 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:24:46.020 --> 01:24:57.210

Trustee Veron: And be it resolved that Dan Steinberg is hereby reappointed to serve as share of said board for TERM ENDING April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:24:57.990 --> 01:24:59.640

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:25:00.330 --> 01:25:00.570

Aye.

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01:25:01.920 --> 01:25:13.110

Trustee Arest: Mere if I could just jump in for one second. I look back for Mr. Or her his application. I think it's just a typo here in the resolution, I'm reading from so I apologize. It's an art. It's awkward. So sorry.

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01:25:13.620 --> 01:25:16.410

Mayor Samwick: Okay, thank you very much for that clarification trustee Lewis.

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01:25:16.710 --> 01:25:18.990

Trustee Lewis: Yes, the Committee for historic preservation

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01:25:19.950 --> 01:25:22.200

Trustee Lewis: Hall that Thomas Schrader is here by appointed

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01:25:22.500 --> 01:25:30.390

Trustee Lewis: As an alternate member of the committee for historic preservation for April 3 2023 or until such time successes are appointed

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01:25:30.810 --> 01:25:40.830

Trustee Lewis: And being further resolved that Adam Linden bound is hereby reappointed chair of that committee for a term ending April 5 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:25:43.710 --> 01:25:44.610

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:25:45.090 --> 01:25:45.870

Aye.

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01:25:47.220 --> 01:25:54.600

Trustee Lewis: Advisory Council on human relations resolve that James Rogan is hereby appointed as a member of the Advisory Council on Foreign Relations.

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01:25:54.930 --> 01:26:03.510

Trustee Lewis: For terminating April for 2022 or until such time as successors is appointed and be at further resolved that Michael Duncan son lives guggenheimer

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01:26:03.840 --> 01:26:13.710

Trustee Lewis: Doors Pacman and prednisone are hereby reappointed as members of city council for TERMS ENDING April for 2022 or until such time as successes are appointed

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01:26:14.220 --> 01:26:24.930

Trustee Lewis: And be it further resolved that Jennifer Fishman is hereby reappointed as Sheriff said council for terminating April 520 21 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:26:25.740 --> 01:26:26.190

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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01:26:26.640 --> 01:26:27.930

Trustee Lewis: All in favor. Aye.

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01:26:28.050 --> 01:26:28.350

Aye.

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01:26:29.760 --> 01:26:42.990

Trustee Lewis: Advisory Council on technology result that Russell white Eric Matson and Beth drill hadn't are hereby appointed as members of the Advisory Council on technology returns ending April for 2022

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01:26:43.500 --> 01:26:55.680

Trustee Lewis: Or until such time as successes are appointed and be it further resolved that john Kotter and Susan roles are hereby reappointed as members of set counsel for TERMS ENDING April for 2022

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01:26:56.100 --> 01:27:09.900

Trustee Lewis: Or until such time as successes are appointed and being further resolved that Scott run Paula is hereby reappointed as Sheriff said council for TERM ENDING April 520 21 or until such time as a successor its appointed

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01:27:10.530 --> 01:27:12.510

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:27:12.960 --> 01:27:13.200

Aye.

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01:27:14.340 --> 01:27:20.760

Trustee Ross: Aye. But mayor, please. Let the record reflect that I've recused myself from this vote, to the extent that it involves Susan Ross.

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01:27:21.660 --> 01:27:25.650

Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust you. Ross Thank you trust you. Louis trustee Crandall

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01:27:26.430 --> 01:27:32.850

Trustee Crandall: Thank you, Mayor and of course I do apologize if I mispronounce anyone's name.

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01:27:33.900 --> 01:27:45.900

Trustee Crandall: First is Advisory Council on Scarsdale senior citizens resolved that Carol Henry Naomi Lippmann serif or lawsky Terry Kessler shorts and Thomas sites.

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01:27:46.200 --> 01:27:58.530

Trustee Crandall: ARE HEREBY reappointed to serve as members of the Advisory Council on Scarsdale senior citizens for TERMS ENDING April for 2022 or until such time as successors are appointed

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01:27:58.830 --> 01:28:12.060

Trustee Crandall: And be further result that Carol Silberman is hereby reappointed to serve as chair of said council or a term and in April 520 21 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:28:12.270 --> 01:28:14.070

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:28:14.790 --> 01:28:15.840

Trustee Waldman: Aye. Aye.

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01:28:17.220 --> 01:28:23.070

Trustee Crandall: With the nation Advisory Council resolved that Julius Schoenfeld is hereby appointed

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01:28:23.700 --> 01:28:33.210

Trustee Crandall: As a member of the conservation advisory council or terminating April for 2022 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:28:33.450 --> 01:28:43.140

Trustee Crandall: And be it further resolved the john our burger Ron schulhoff Eddie Shore and Joan Weissman are hereby reappointed to serve as members of set Council.

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01:28:43.380 --> 01:29:02.370

Trustee Crandall: For TERMS ENDING April for 2022 or until such time as successors are appointed and be a further resolved that Michelle Sterling is hereby reappointed his chair of said Council for a term ending April 520 21 until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:29:02.790 --> 01:29:04.320

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:29:04.950 --> 01:29:05.220

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01:29:07.140 --> 01:29:17.880

Trustee Crandall: Leave for the Advisory Council on youth resolved that Lynn Marvin Deborah Tesler and a priori are hereby reappointed to serve.

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01:29:18.300 --> 01:29:40.500

Trustee Crandall: As members of the Advisory Council on youth or TERMS ENDING April for 2022 or until such time as successors are appointed and be it further resolved that Kelly you Rogers is hereby appointed Chair of set Council for a term ending April 520 21 or until such time as a successor is appointed

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01:29:40.830 --> 01:29:42.450

Mayor Samwick: Second. All in favor.

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01:29:42.810 --> 01:29:43.110

Trustee Lewis: All right.

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01:29:43.380 --> 01:29:44.100

Trustee Arest: Bye bye.

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01:29:45.000 --> 01:29:47.340

Mayor Samwick: Thank you trusted Crandall trustee Romans

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01:29:47.910 --> 01:29:52.620

Trustee Waldman: Thank you, counsel on people with disabilities resolved that

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01:29:52.680 --> 01:29:53.640

Trustee Waldman: Area and green.

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01:29:53.790 --> 01:30:04.380

Trustee Waldman: Ronnie Hirsch Mary lab tech Carol cabinet and get this Silverstein or here by reappointed to serve as members of the Council on people with disabilities.

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01:30:07.920 --> 01:30:27.240

Trustee Waldman: For terms and then April 4 2022 or until such time as successes are appointed and be it further results that Marion green is here by reappointed to serve as chair upset counsel for a term ending April 5 2021 or until such time a successor is appointed

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01:30:28.050 --> 01:30:28.500

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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01:30:28.980 --> 01:30:29.730

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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01:30:30.450 --> 01:30:30.750

Aye.

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01:30:32.340 --> 01:30:34.770

Trustee Waldman: The Advisory Council on Parks and Recreation

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01:30:35.850 --> 01:30:50.490

Trustee Waldman: Resolved that Karen Garvey is hereby appointed as a member of the advisory council on Parks and Recreation for a term ending April 4 2022 or until such time as a successor, was appointed for the results.

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01:30:50.700 --> 01:30:53.040

Trustee Waldman: That Jennifer glance and Lewis Citroen

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01:30:53.310 --> 01:31:02.130

Trustee Waldman: ARE HEREBY reappointed as members of set council for TERMS ENDING April 4 2022 or until such time as successes are appointed

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01:31:02.610 --> 01:31:15.900

Trustee Waldman: And be it further resolved that Louis patrol is hereby reappointed as chair upset Council for a term ends in April, fifth 2021 or until such time as a successor is appointed again.

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01:31:16.530 --> 01:31:17.250

All in favor.

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01:31:19.890 --> 01:31:21.870

Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust you. Robin trust you. Ross.

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01:31:22.440 --> 01:31:30.600

Trustee Ross: Thank you, Mayor, excuse me, board of ethics, excuse me, resolve that Marie Louise Maclaurin here by reappointed to serve as a member of the board of ethics.

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01:31:31.050 --> 01:31:41.790

Trustee Ross: Return ending April 7 2025 or until such time as a successor is appointed resolved that Evelyn stock is hereby reappointed to serve his chair and a member of the board of ethics.

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Trustee Ross: For a tournament in April 5 2021 I'm sorry TERMS ENDING APRIL, APRIL 5 2021 in April 7 2025 respectively, or until such time as the successor is appointed

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Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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Trustee Ross: Aye. Aye.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust you. Ross I given that it is now after 8pm

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Mayor Samwick: We'd like to begin the process of the public hearing. So trust ERS, and I have, you know, would like to say a few words in advance of opening of the public hearing. Do we have anything that we can put up here. There we go.

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Mayor Samwick: So, you know,

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Mayor Samwick: We'd like to just go over a little bit about the budget process and and where we are. This is not a typical year

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Mayor Samwick: And what we've seen here is you know certain things that are mandated by the state and certain things that we're doing incremental to that so

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Mayor Samwick: First, we had to file a tentative budget, which is the subject of this public hearing that was filed as required by the state in advance of

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Mayor Samwick: March 20 I believe is the latest date. We could file, which was done so comments with regard to

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Mayor Samwick: To the public hearing should specify specifically be with regard to the tentative budget that is file that is available on the village website under the village treasure.

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Mayor Samwick: tab there a public hearing on that filed budget needs to occur, no later than April 15 tonight we are doing that which is April 14 which is compliant.

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Mayor Samwick: And the budget will be, it has to be adopted, no later than May first and we intend this evening to to recommend that a budget resolution beyond the agenda for the board meeting on April 28

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Mayor Samwick: Now I'd said that this, this process is, you know, followed those statutory guidelines, but also there are incremental pieces the incremental pieces really

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Mayor Samwick: Focus on the management of the coven crisis. And so we as a village started preparation from a fiscal standpoint in early February.

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Mayor Samwick: When the village manager started asking department heads to keep track of anything covert related as an expense item as we are expecting that typical with natural disasters and other emergency situations there will be some federal aid available to us to deal with increases in expenses.

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Mayor Samwick: Shortly thereafter, and then shortly thereafter, but but promptly and prudently

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Mayor Samwick: The village manager implemented an austerity program for fiscal matters and for spending within the bill.

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Mayor Samwick: Which I think he

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Mayor Samwick: Talked to that has talked about a little bit in the past I think we have a good understanding of where that is the we then

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Mayor Samwick: Went through an exercise with the village manager and the village treasurer.

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Mayor Samwick: Of identifying and analyzing near term threats to revenues, which we're going to get to in just a minute.

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Mayor Samwick: That was followed by identifying primary and secondary sources of funding to fill those potential revenue gaps.

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Mayor Samwick: We also established a working policy whereby we would be making data driven decisions to adjust the fiscal year 2021 budget further that's beyond changes that have already been identified, which we'll get to in just a minute.

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Mayor Samwick: So the analysis of revenue threats.

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Mayor Samwick: Was broken down into two scenarios which we may refer to as a sort of a base case and and a downside analysis. The base case.

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Mayor Samwick: Being scenario one which identified about \$2.4 million a potential revenue threats scenario to

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Mayor Samwick: Looked at a further downside analysis. Again, we'll get to some more details on that in just a moment of about three and a half million dollars. You will note.

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Mayor Samwick: That those numbers are a little bit different than what was articulated the last time we went through this. There was a mathematical error in one of the line items that has been corrected here in

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Mayor Samwick: So what are the threats that that have been identified. First, I'd like to point out that nearly 70% of the village revenues in the 2021 budget.

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Mayor Samwick: Come from property taxes and as we look at at prior collection histories, even through difficult times. And as we look at

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Mayor Samwick: The legal mechanisms for collection of real estate taxes, we believe that there may be some timing issues regarding collection of the taxes, but the collection of taxes will occur.

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Mayor Samwick: So we then move to our next largest line item which is sales tax, which represents just over 6% of budgeted revenues and the

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Mayor Samwick: Village Treasurer through her extensive experience and village manager through his extensive experience have looked at this and presented, you know, we believe to be

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Mayor Samwick: very conservative estimates of a potential hit on on sales tax revenue to the village. And in fact,

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Mayor Samwick: The village manager and treasurer and trust the forest and I participated in a call with the county last week.

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Mayor Samwick: Where the county was trying to help give guidance to villages, which are on June 1 fiscal year in terms of guiding their

budgetary process for sales tax revenues for this year and what they suggested

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Mayor Samwick: Was to come in roughly flat with actual fiscal 1920 EXPECTATIONS OF SALES TAXES. WHAT THAT equated to

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Mayor Samwick: For the village of Scarsdale was about an 8% reduction in in our budgeted number. So, again, in both scenarios one and scenario to

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Mayor Samwick: You've taken the approach of a 25% budgeted reduction which is more than triple the amount recommended by by the county or the guidance given by the county in terms of managing our sales tax revenue.

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Mayor Samwick: We then move to our next largest aggregation of revenue which is under the heading of parking and parking consists of meters in the village center as well as parking permits.

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Mayor Samwick: Primarily, and those are reduced by 22% and 53% in scenarios. One and two are the primary drivers here, no pun intended. I apologize are

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Mayor Samwick: A elimination of of meter and permit revenues for two months in scenario one and six months in scenario to, again, we believe these to be very conservative

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Mayor Samwick: Assumptions here the next largest item that we run to is recreation fees, which account for 3% of non of total revenue in the 2021 budget.

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Mayor Samwick: Now recreation fees are almost always tied to programs and the programs have marginal costs associated with them. So even if we were to see revenue reduced by over half which is what is contemplated here.

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Mayor Samwick: There are almost equal amounts of expense reductions that go with it. And therefore what we'd be looking at is a net loss of about \$100,000 and

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Mayor Samwick: They're in, you know, something that is relatively manageable in terms of absolute dollars relative to the other items that are contemplated they're

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Mayor Samwick: building permit fees constitute 2.2% of revenues and we have reduced those by 12% and 15% respectively.

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Mayor Samwick: Again, based on experience living through things like the financial crisis, oh 910 and and we have already seen some anecdotal evidence that there is some pent up demand for building permits. We've had calls from a number

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Mayor Samwick: Want to know when they can get started with projects that they have planned so

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Mayor Samwick: Again, we think that the the budgeting here and the allocation here as a potential revenue threat is a reasonable one

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Mayor Samwick: The only other item that we have that is above 2% of revenue is a mortgage tax revenue at 2.1% which has been reduced in scenario one by 15% scenario two by 25%

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Mayor Samwick: The county on the call that we were on last week, again, he also gave some guidance here. As, as they are a

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Mayor Samwick: Participant in they were helping to guide the villages in their budgeting recommending about a 10% not recommending about recommending a 10% reduction in the mortgage tax so

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Mayor Samwick: As you see across the board here, you know, we feel as though the the budgeting has taken advantage of an enormous amount of experience on the part of the treasurer and the village manager and we believe to be a conservative and responsible estimate we had talked about scenario three

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Mayor Samwick: Scenario three is really going to be a living and breathing scenario, it is going to be a document that is really going to be there, not a document is going to be an estimate.

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Mayor Samwick: That is refined. Once we have further data. So as we see some of the sales tax revenue numbers come in the mortgage tax revenue numbers come in.

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Mayor Samwick: We can evolve this and whether scenario three comes in lower or higher than scenario one or two or in between scenarios, one and two is yet to be determined. But that will be something that will evolve over time as better data and more clarity comes into view here.

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Mayor Samwick: So we've gone over a lot of these numbers already but want to make it clear that the primary sources to manage the potential revenue gaps.

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Mayor Samwick: That we've identified, starting with the fiscal 1920 budget on the fiscal 1920 budget has been subject to austerity management.

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Mayor Samwick: As a result, largely of that and anticipation of a fund balance surplus that may have existed. We've been able to identify a total of a little over a million for

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Mayor Samwick: Of sources that have already been allocated to a coven reserve account.

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Mayor Samwick: So that was that. And then the next piece that we're going to get to are really the component pieces there you'll see some of the breakdowns here.

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Mayor Samwick: In terms of departments every department is contributing non departmental contributions as well as well as personnel savings which you'll see there again, totally a million for 40

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Mayor Samwick: We then move on to reallocation from the budget, and that was largely done \$340,000 300,000 of which is is coming from.

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Mayor Samwick: reallocation from the capital budget to the covert reserve account.

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Mayor Samwick: You see the breakdown for those there. You also see that there's a \$40,000 reduction in the transfer to the internet service fund for the central garage.

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Mayor Samwick: Because there is fund balance within that that fund to to cover that \$40,000 amount. So from the 2021 already there have been \$340,000 of re allocations.

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Mayor Samwick: We then moved on to secondary sources of potential ways to fill potential revenue gaps and I've identified a little over 1,000,007 have previously funded capital projects that are either able to be borrowed or deferred or

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Mayor Samwick: Or dealt with another manners, so that we can then get to 1,000,007 of incremental funding potential

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Mayor Samwick: Adding all of that up. We come up to just under three and a half million dollars, which not coincidentally at all.

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Mayor Samwick: Is right around the estimate for scenario to or downside scenario of potential revenue shortfall. With that, I'm going to hand it over to trust the Eris to talk a little bit

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Mayor Samwick: More about sort of what are different levers that are available to manage different components of the of the budget as we go through.

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Mayor Samwick: This crisis period, trust your house.

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Trustee Arest: Thank you, mayor. So just as you said, I like to go over a few slides pretty quickly just going over what the levers are available to combat a potential shortfall and of course they include fund balance.

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Trustee Arest: Borrowing adjustments to spending services and projects non property tax revenues and property taxes.

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Trustee Arest: If I may start with fund balance the unassigned fund balances a reserve account for the village, sometimes referred to as a rainy day fund.

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Trustee Arest: It's vital in times of crisis and emergency. And so obviously this is a an opportunity to to avail ourselves of that fund.

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Trustee Arest: It's available for any purpose, though, and it's used annually to consistent level to reduce the tax levy

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Trustee Arest: Please note that over a million dollars is already used in the tentative fiscal year 2020 budget for exactly this purpose for tax relief. If we can call it that.

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Trustee Arest: current, the current estimate for the end of this fiscal year may 31 is having a general unassigned fund balance it just under \$8 million that is 13.4 or 5%

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Trustee Arest: Or of 2021 expenses and I have the Asterix there just to make the point that everybody should just be careful not to double count, of course, that million dollars that's going to be used or expected to be used in the 2021 budget is filed

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Trustee Arest: Will come out of that number, just south of \$8 million. We don't have the opportunity for both for both members.

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Trustee Arest: Of the policy has been and continues to be a target balance 10 to 15% of the succeeding fiscal year budget expenditures

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Trustee Arest: To standing fund balance at this level is very important for maintaining our bond rating. It's also prudent fiscal management that provides us the financial flexibility, obviously.

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Trustee Arest: Having this and this also relates to borrowing as well on the next slide. But, you know, not expending too much fun balance in previous years.

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Trustee Arest: Not borrowing for too many projects, while of course that's very important for smoothing and for our long term planning.

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Trustee Arest: In this case right now it's it's a huge advantage to us where we should be appreciative to previous boards, of course, or village manager village treasure and other staff.

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Trustee Arest: Because we are in a position to be able to borrow more now and and have this relatively healthy fund balance to us.

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Trustee Arest: But that also means it must be replenished for exactly those reasons, and you know, God forbid, we could have another crisis coming up. We hope.

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Trustee Arest: Obviously, that didn't we also didn't

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Trustee Arest: Expect to have a pandemic, as we were living through currently so

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Trustee Arest: All of these all of these monies that are expended are really a short term fix in many ways because there has to be a plan in place there have to be conversations about Okay we're spending these dollars.

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Trustee Arest: When will we be able to pay them back, we don't you know don't pay them back immediately. But that has to always be kept in mind.

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Trustee Arest: For borrowing municipal borrowing is limited to capital improvements pursuant to New York State, local, finance law. And now I have an asterisk here as well because

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Trustee Arest: There is there is an exception to this, I guess you could call it and it can be used for operations their notes and there for emergencies and an epidemic is included in that I think we just have to be very careful that this. This provision is intended really for an emergency.

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Trustee Arest: It's a very short term note, unlike our bonds anticipatory notes are bands that we use when we need cash flow we need funds.

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Trustee Arest: For some of our capital projects and we're not quite ready to borrow yet the village has has used smart planning to use some of those notes.

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Trustee Arest: With anticipating borrowing and then paying those back these notes cannot be paid back from borrow these notes must be paid back through some additional revenue source or from the tax levy from the tax payers and increased taxes.

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Trustee Arest: That also is important to to consider it there, one there, one year notes and there is a maximum renewal at one time. So that means that they must be paid back within two years.

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Trustee Arest: And and I just want to add. So again, we're aware of this is in our toolbox and as the mayor stated with a scenario three

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Trustee Arest: We're hopeful that scenario three is is close to scenario to or even better than scenario to but we also have to plan if scenario three is catastrophic and its way, you know, much worse than one into

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Trustee Arest: If that happens, this is a tool that's available to us, and I hope we don't need to use it. But absolutely, we are aware

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Trustee Arest: So borrowing is intended to match the cost of capital projects with their useful lives useful lives are dictated they're given to us by the state.

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Trustee Arest: And the village endeavors to keep debt service levels relatively stable as part of its long term planning think I mentioned a little bit about that just previously.

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Trustee Arest: Also for our credit rating and it's based on consistent prudent fiscal management by turn to adjustments to spending services and projects. So this, this kind of goes from the very short term to the long term season.

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Trustee Arest: And we can start with where we are now, which is austerity budgeting measures short term but needed in times of crises in emergencies limited to essential services and support for such efforts.

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Trustee Arest: I want to just add, you know. Personally, I did the I did the bills. This past weekend is the things you noticed earlier.

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Trustee Arest: And I, I appreciate it. It was very helpful for me, even though I knew about the policy. I knew that it was being implemented.

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Trustee Arest: I understood how it was working. It was just very helpful for me to see the actual memorandums that were backing up various bills.

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Trustee Arest: They, they rent. They could have said, you know, this was committed to in December, we couldn't cancel it. We tried it even went into detail as to whether it could be the item could be reused small example but the 15 K race T shirts were purchased. There was a memorandum

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Trustee Arest: That actually noted because of rain.

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Trustee Arest: In previous years, they don't put the year on it anymore. So those will be in storage and God willing, there will be a race next year and it'll be sunny and everybody will be wearing those T shirts.

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Trustee Arest: The other point that I recognize as I was going through the bills. Well, you know, then of course there were some that were essential there were some sand purchased for for water infrastructure for leaks.

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Trustee Arest: That's necessary and there was a memory and backing that up but all the memorandum that I reviewed were the ones that were approved.

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Trustee Arest: And so, you know, there are a number of memorandum that the village manager pushed back to the department heads and said no and and so even though he put the policy in place. I think

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Trustee Arest: For department heads. They're getting even a better sense of what's expected from them by this by this process.

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Trustee Arest: Capital Improvement deferral and elimination. Again, for the most part, short to medium term. So, because our capital improvements are part of our long term planning.

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Trustee Arest: And financial strife may force us to reconsider the timing of many important projects, but we have to weigh the financial costs with the longer term implications of waiting

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Trustee Arest: Obviously we live with some you know roads in less than desirable conditions for a period of time.

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Trustee Arest: And, you know, perhaps, that was necessary before. And these are conscious

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Trustee Arest: Decisions. These are conversations with the community that have to happen. But when it comes to certain infrastructure capital improvements.

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Trustee Arest: We may not have a choice. I mean, there's there's water issues that were that we're going to be dealing with sewer.

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Trustee Arest: And various other other items and we can borrow more for them, of course, which also has implications towards future budgets, because they have to be able to support the debt service and so everything has another

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Trustee Arest: implication that that always, you know, has to be part of a holistic plan.

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Trustee Arest: So discretionary capital projects which we have a very small amount in the budget would either be deferred or eliminated altogether.

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Trustee Arest: Because those those monies would likely, you know, need to be used either for essential capital projects or for, you know, whatever else to fill the deficit that that we could be facing

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Trustee Arest: Service Level reductions. Now of course we move to the longer term, which is necessary to solve long term financial deficits these require a wide range and community involvement and we just have to be careful that one change can have much wider implications, also for other services provide

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Trustee Arest: Increase in non property tax revenue. So this provides much needed diversity to our sources of revenue and reduces our reliance on property taxes.

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Trustee Arest: It could shift the burden of certain services to residents heavily using them.

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Trustee Arest: But there are limited number of opportunities for local governments, we just have to be aware of that that certain existing revenues available to higher levels of governments and larger cities are not available to us as villages as a village.

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Trustee Arest: Our village fees and charges which are really looked at the entire year, but more in a formal process. We look at once a year.

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Trustee Arest: And is adopted earlier in the year by resolution. They're also they're currently at the higher end of municipal fees countywide we do analyses the staff does and they've done a great job recently.

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Trustee Arest: comparing different specific fees and how we fare and and we really try to make sure that the user is paying you know his or her fair share of that. And as I said, we're already at the high end on many of them, or most of them.

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Trustee Arest: And we have to be cognizant that moving to a fee for service model could create the need for additional labor for oversight and administration.

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Trustee Arest: And if we start doing fees, where residents can opt in and opt out of certain services and only some people are availing themselves of some of some services.

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Trustee Arest: We could wind up losing at least part of the economies of scale that we currently enjoying that could of course impact the price for the people who continue to use the

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Trustee Arest: Property tax changes our budget is 69.3% reliant on property taxes, keeping the property tax levy is as low as possible is always the objective

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Trustee Arest: And the village must always balance its desire to reduce property taxes with potential trade offs.

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Trustee Arest: So when we look at options for reducing an offsetting increases to the tax levy. We look at additional revenue and we had great hopes, you know, as we were crafting this budget that the

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Trustee Arest: additional revenue from sales tax would be a benefit to us and would help us keep our tax levy lower but also take care of some very important

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Trustee Arest: infrastructure projects, obviously that revenue is still much needed but won't have exactly the same effect service reductions, as I mentioned, is longer term and other budget levers, which, of course, again, short term.

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Trustee Arest: The proposed LEVY in The filed 2021 tentative budget, which is which is therefore the subject of the public here.

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Trustee Arest: Has an increase of 818,000 \$298 or 1.986% which equals \$128 per average household

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Trustee Arest: If I may just conclude with a just kind of a summary again of our overall approach to this budget, we will continue to address economic crisis, created by the pandemic continue to make changes as needed.

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Trustee Arest: Simple budget cuts or anything but simple there are unintended consequences eliminated one service may make other services, no longer supportable supportable but

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Trustee Arest: We are prepared to have tough conversations and make difficult decisions we're on the record. We've said that many times that is absolutely the plan discussion discussions must be holistic and they must have ample community involvement and support.

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Trustee Arest: We can't make decisions out of panic or fear, or rather hard data and reason fact driven assumptions.

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Trustee Arest: We are very fortunate that we have the financial flexibility right now the way we're operating to function under an austerity fiscal policy in the short term, while we're really dealing with this public health crisis.

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Trustee Arest: And we can formulate our medium and long term strategy or the economic crisis that this health crisis has created. And, you know,

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Trustee Arest: Will continue to to create and. And finally, I think one of the more important points is is better information and more visibility will result in better decisions. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust your ears, but you're going to continue, I believe.

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Trustee Arest: I am, if you don't mind, I just want to try to figure out. I think I closed out of that.

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Mayor Samwick: And let's do

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Trustee Arest: That. So at this point, I know that the mayor intends to open it up for trustees and we can we can have a discussion after but we'd like to open up the public hearing

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Trustee Arest: On the fiscal year 2021 budget tentative budget filed on March 20 2020 and receive public comment on that file tentative budget.

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Mayor Samwick: And and we are

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Trustee Arest: open to hearing

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Mayor Samwick: You can, yes. Nobody here. We asked again that people keep their comments to five minutes.

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Mayor Samwick: Let me just

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Mayor Samwick: Going here, I believe.

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Mayor Samwick: We are you there.

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Noah Dembitzer: Yes. Can you hear me.

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Mayor Samwick: Yes, we can. Okay.

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Noah Dembitzer: I have a statement on behalf of the League of Women Voters of Scarsdale board of directors, it may be slightly longer than five minutes, meaning like half a minute, or a minute longer. Is that OK.

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Mayor Samwick: OK, OK. I mean we really are going to try to keep to five minutes, but because it's an organization will give a little extra time. So, that's fine.

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Noah Dembitzer: Thank you. I'll also email this statement to the village.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you.

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Noah Dembitzer: League of Women Voters have scars deal board of directors thanks village manager Pappalardo village treasure Mugler mayor Sam look and the Board of Trustees for conducting a well managed process.

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Noah Dembitzer: And proposing a budget that balances careful fiscal management with resident expectations of village services lead was unable to hold its annual general membership meeting and consensus on the village budget, the following comments reflect the views of the leak.

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Noah Dembitzer: The proposed general fund village budget is 69,440,000 \$49 which includes a tax levy increase of 1.986% a 128 increase for home for the average Scarsdale homeowner

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Noah Dembitzer: As poor village treasurer and the regular budget process. The primary drivers of the budget or moderation and health insurance premiums, the flattening of building permit and more tax revenues.

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Noah Dembitzer: Sales tax revenue, the settlement of some bargaining unit contracts and pension payments. According to treasure Mugler, the self deduction impact was an additional influence on village efforts to keep the budget to budget increase

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Noah Dembitzer: Well, in addition, the New York State and post tax levy cap of 2% influences village budgeting efforts and process.

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Noah Dembitzer: Regarding salt the village is a plaintiff in a federal lawsuit against the IRS with regard to the self deception deduction.

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Noah Dembitzer: According to treasure Mugler, the current fund balance is slightly in excess of \$8 million, which is 13.89% of the 20 1920 budget.

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Noah Dembitzer: This is down from recent years where the fund balance was approximately 14.5% of the succeeding year's budget this fiscal year more funds were devoted to road surfacing

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Noah Dembitzer: The village policy has been to have unassigned fund balance levels between 10 and 15% of the next year's budget.

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Noah Dembitzer: According to treasure Mugler this policy has worked well for the village, even though Moody's would like to see higher levels.

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Noah Dembitzer: The village has had a policy of transferring budgets surpluses to capital, which helps to reduce debt levels.

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Noah Dembitzer: In response to the league question about fund balance use the event of an emergency situation.

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Noah Dembitzer: Treasure Mugler explained that the total fund balance consistent both assigned and unassigned

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Noah Dembitzer: In the event of an emergency. The village manager would recommend reassignment of existing assigned balances to meet the needs of the emergency

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Noah Dembitzer: As priorities have changed, based on the current Copa 19 health crisis, the administration of board hadn't had conveyed that they are tentatively focused on issues related to village operation, the safety of residents.

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Noah Dembitzer: And monitoring the various ongoing and changing aspects of the crisis, according to manager Pappalardo the village is focused on maintaining essential services as we continue to navigate through this emergency

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Noah Dembitzer: The village has moved to austerity spending which will remain into 20 2021 fiscal year. In addition, department has been directed to restrict restrict spending two essential items required for the operation of the village.

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Noah Dembitzer: As per treasure Mugler, the village is following the directors of the County Board of Health and the state.

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Noah Dembitzer: We are trying to implement as many ways to communicate with residents as possible during this difficult time while still maintaining village services.

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Noah Dembitzer: However, this is a developing situation that will require that we all be flexible going forward.

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Noah Dembitzer: As discuss discuss during the march 31 Village Board meeting the village has created a coven 19 contingency account.

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Noah Dembitzer: And as discussed tonight has been allocated for agent 40,000 from the 2021 budget 1.255 million from the general fund budget has also been assigned

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Noah Dembitzer: 10 of the 13 general fund departments have been impacted by the foundry assignment and altogether. They will be 3.485 million total funds available to the village for emergency management.

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Noah Dembitzer: At the march 31 budget work session session treasure Mugler discussed revenues, most likely impacted by coven 19

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Noah Dembitzer: Religious treasure and went through to potential budget scenarios in order to show stress testing up significant non property tax revenue.

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Noah Dembitzer: At two distinct levels. The League board recognizes that there are many potential impacts to revenue as a result of the curve in 19 health crisis and we understand

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Noah Dembitzer: That as per the mayor, the ability diligent administration and board will continue to evaluate and look at the budget as the year progresses. The Village Board has the ability to modify the current fiscal year budget as necessary throughout a given year.

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Noah Dembitzer: As per grant funding. I'm not going to read this whole section because it is long, but I will email it to you tomorrow.

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Noah Dembitzer: Regarding capital projects board has paused. Different way redevelopment project.

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Noah Dembitzer: The village hall repair, replacement will needs to be addressed in planning stages. Over the next four to five years and needed renovations to the Scarsdale pool will need to be addressed. Following a Recreation Department survey of the Community's interest in needs.

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Noah Dembitzer: As suggested by village manager Pappalardo during our league information session, the scope of work required a village hall is significant enough to consider the possibility of building a new village hall.

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Noah Dembitzer: In the existing parking lot while keeping the old building open during construction and this would avoid the expensive relocating village staff and government services.

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Noah Dembitzer: The League board continues to recommend that post coven 19 emergency management, the board and administration engage in a thoughtful and comprehensive public dialogue.

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Noah Dembitzer: About major capital projects and other capital infrastructure needs, including that of a Scarsdale Pearl, as well as discuss the plan for a financing such maintenance repair and improvements and to publicize these long range plans.

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Noah Dembitzer: Okay.

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Noah Dembitzer: We have a brief comment on staffing this year the village hired a part time code enforcement officer to aid me enforcement of the village code.

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Noah Dembitzer: The part time officer includes weekend inspections to minimize the work of contractors

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Noah Dembitzer: According to treasure Mugler, the village has collected finds an excess of 18,000 but most importantly the stop work orders has had been issued, resulting in revenue in the form of building permits.

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Noah Dembitzer: The food scrap programs curbside collection has been put on hold, as the villages planning sanitation staffing levels to avoid exposure to coven 19

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Noah Dembitzer: When the program resumes as the lead recommended last year. We look forward to the assessment of the food scrap initiative and the presentations, the public

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Noah Dembitzer: Of all relevant data collected by village staff and additional metrics, by which the Community may understand what the environmental and financial impact of this program.

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Noah Dembitzer: The League board reiterated commendation for the mayor and his effort to engage the public and venues of informal dialogue at his coffees with a mayor.

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Noah Dembitzer: As the league promotes the active participation of citizens and government. We commend the mirror for being proactive and soliciting input from community members.

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Noah Dembitzer: The League board will also like to recognize another way that the Village Board communicates with the community, which is through board liaisons to community groups.

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Noah Dembitzer: The League board is appreciative of this continuing board initiative, the leaderboard recommends that the Village Board engaged and consistent outreach to obtain wide reaching community input and feedback.

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Noah Dembitzer: And ongoing process of engaging in dialogue with community members and groups will help the board more fully understand constituent views and broader

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Noah Dembitzer: Community values. The League board values voter education and strongly recommends that all meetings of the village board, including working sessions be recorded and if possible live stream for greater resident participation and accessibility for discussion.

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Noah Dembitzer: With regard to ongoing hot button issues such as the potential future renovation or redevelopment redevelopment of the freight way garage.

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Noah Dembitzer: The League board encourages timely board communication transparency.

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Noah Dembitzer: The inclusion of community member and put in the process and that benchmarking research of comparable development, including pros and cons be made available to the public.

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Noah Dembitzer: The League board encourages the board of trustees to directly engage in thoughtful and thorough public communication with the Board of Education and school administration.

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Noah Dembitzer: As well and any process to consider redevelopment afraid way the leaderboard thanks village administration and board for your professionalism and dedication to our village.

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Noah Dembitzer: We would especially like to thank village Treasurer Mary Lou Adler who is retiring. This year Treasurer McCullough has always been kind responsive accessible and helpful.

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Noah Dembitzer: Regarding all of our league questions on the village budget. We appreciate her extraordinary service this festival community. Thank you for taking our comments into consideration.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much for you. Um, I would like to know that that did go a little bit over. So I would like to extend the comment period for others wishing to to comment as well.

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Mayor Samwick: I'm not sure exactly how long that went. But what

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Mayor Samwick: Six minutes. I think that's probably reasonable for for those still wishing to to speak.

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Mayor Samwick: Again, thank you for for for all your time that you spent on this, the league's time they spent on this. We certainly appreciate the thoughtful approach, you've taken to that I now would like to see, I believe, Randy white stone.

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Mayor Samwick: Randy, are you there.

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RB Whitestone: Yes, I'm here. Thank you.

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RB Whitestone: Good evening, Randy white stone 94 Sprague road, I just want to say this is a moment of human tragedy and it's important that we take a moment to remember that.

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RB Whitestone: Even though this meeting is focused on dollars and cents village staff employees and first responders continue to work on the front lines to keep things running. They're there for us in a daunting time

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RB Whitestone: I recall the mayor's remarks on priorities on March 24 just three weeks ago, even though it seems much longer one health, safety and welfare to delivery of essential services and three fiscally responsible and prudent management of the village budget.

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RB Whitestone: While the mayor didn't set up these in priority order. Clearly, the first two are critical. And we can't forget that tonight, even though it's a budget meeting.

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RB Whitestone: So turning to number three, I support the mayor's comment tonight about a continuing dynamic adjustment scenario and urge the village staff and the board to keep sharing what it seeing on the budget front and months to come.

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RB Whitestone: There's so many moving parts in a budget on both the revenue and expenditure side you learn how leaky boat is in turbulent

waters and the constant exercise of thinking it through the knowledge gained is certainly time well spent.

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RB Whitestone: The backdrop for government budgets is, of course, bad all over on Sunday, Governor Cuomo pointed out that the new federal cares act.

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RB Whitestone: And I quote contains zero funding to offset drastic state revenue shortfalls and he called for an end of the salt tax, which of course it's New York in Scarsdale so hard.

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RB Whitestone: repeat what I said at the working session two weeks ago, we still don't know how long that pandemic stranglehold on normal activity will last.

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RB Whitestone: So I again I encourage the board and staff to continue to see this year's budget is very much a dynamic living process with much change and adjustments throughout the fiscal year.

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RB Whitestone: Quote, the governor ONE MORE TIME WE GOT TO STATE BUDGET done, but it was contingent on what happens going forward. That's the way it will be for Scarsdale and all governments, the rest of this fiscal year.

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RB Whitestone: during the months long budget process, including many, many hours of budget working sessions we got to see the board setting and adjusting priorities and pushing and pulling spending according to those priorities.

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RB Whitestone: That push and pull is going to last throughout the year and the virus may change the way we live in work for years to come. Government, just like business will have to adjust to that change.

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RB Whitestone: Use of reserves. Yes, the proverbial rainy day has arrived and deferring fungible items and capital spending are clearly options as his short term borrowing.

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RB Whitestone: I had observed that the Federal Reserve last week announced a municipal liquidity facility, but it's not something that small units municipalities can access

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RB Whitestone: I would like to hear more about Scarsdale potential short term borrowing recognizing that there will be a crowding effect from government seeking to borrow just as investors have been fleeing many municipal market. It may not be that easy to access those borrowings right now.

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RB Whitestone: Finally, I just reiterate my caution from the 31st about last resort actions that can easily be undone, such as layoffs.

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RB Whitestone: Because we're still walking forward into the unknown. Let's not forget that residents are now more than ever, rely on the village to do its job in these tragic times. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much for hanging

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Mayor Samwick: Out with me for a moment.

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Mayor Samwick: Right, Sean. Are you there.

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Sean: Yes, ma'am. Thank you, Sean card 35 Chesterfield road.

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Sean: I listened to this meeting. And the last one.

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Sean: And married you. I think you went through four basic steps of points that they villages doing to handle the budget shortfalls.

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Sean: And I'm strongly suggesting we add a fifth and that is what we're doing to help residence, because with economic strain on notes that I think trustee arrested 70% of the income is for property taxes.

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Sean: And yet we still seem out to raise property taxes, I would strongly suggest that we look at a project that does not at all without presidents, that's really all I have to say thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you, Sean. Appreciate that.

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Mayor Samwick: Anyone else was wishing to be heard.

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Mayor Samwick: Bear with me one second. Bob

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Mayor Samwick: Bob, are you there.

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Robert Berg: I'm here.

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Robert Berg: I'm happy to note that lead to eight minutes and 15 seconds I use my stopwatch and my iPhone.

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Robert Berg: Good evening, Robert 32 to go road. I mean, as a resident of Scarsdale

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Robert Berg: I strongly object to the proposed village budget for fiscal 2020 2021 because it calls for a property tax increase.

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Robert Berg: That our residents simply cannot afford during this time of pandemic and economic catastrophe. I review the tentative budget very carefully.

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Robert Berg: Eight days ago I sent you a detailed analysis laying out over \$2 million and cuts to this budget.

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Robert Berg: That can be made without substantially affecting services to our residents. You never responded to me and haven't made

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Robert Berg: Any significant cuts your primary duty, as well as trustees a fiduciary duty, no less is to protect our residents, including their pocketbooks

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Robert Berg: Unfortunately, by presenting this tentative budget tonight, which you plan to adopt you're failing to carry out your fiduciary duty.

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Robert Berg: To our residence and failing to acknowledge the financial turmoil, we all face. Last night I persisted participated in a zoom talk with 7800 fellow alumni of the University of Chicago.

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Robert Berg: Led by Professor rod Gorham are done, the former head of the Reserve Bank of India and former chief economist of the International Monetary Fund.

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Robert Berg: He's considered to be one of the world's foremost economists, just as I told you, two weeks ago, the professor believes we're facing the greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression.

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Robert Berg: He expects unemployment 315 to 20% the summer in the US with GDP dropping by an astonishing 35 to 40% in the second quarter. We're over the professor says virtually no economist expects that V shaped

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Robert Berg: Economic recovery. Today, the International Monetary Fund released the new outlook sitting on the global economy has almost certainly entered a recession affecting most of the world.

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Robert Berg: With the severity unmatched by anything aside from the Great Depression closer to home. The Wall Street Journal today reports.

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Robert Berg: That the second round of covert 19 induced layoffs has begun in this round is targeting white collar professionals.

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Robert Berg: Lawyers bankers government workers and even healthcare professionals. We're not directly involved in Toronto virus care.

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Robert Berg: In my profession law, law firms of all sizes are cutting pay furloughing we're firing staff and lawyers. Well, trying to survive.

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Robert Berg: The mayor towns that this board and our village have been preparing for the pandemics in February 2

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Robert Berg: Well, this tentative budget filed on March 20 does not reflect and need such foresight and what's worse in the intervening 25 days the economy collapsed even further and the pandemic is

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Robert Berg: This board has been like a deer trapped in the headlights simply not moving out of the path of the speeding pickup truck.

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Robert Berg: Unbelievably, the only so called budget reduction, you could come up with is \$200,000 of library operating expenses that simply won't be incurred because the pan pandemic is delaying completion of the library by two months.

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Robert Berg: And even that amount seems to be offset by additional fees, you're authorizing tonight to dattner the library construction manager because of those same construction delays.

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Robert Berg: So what about the \$2 million in my suggested, but it cuts completely ignored. Let's look at a company

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Robert Berg: Has to spend \$100,000 for lawyers and another hundred thousand dollars for consultants for the fright way redevelopment product in the coming year.

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Robert Berg: This is after the village to spend \$300,000 on those very same lawyers and consultants who led the Village Board to choose those two finalists developers.

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Robert Berg: Who each proposed the massive apartment building and parking garage complex for hundreds of residents protested and you finally pause the project this past winter.

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Robert Berg: It's completely tone deaf to propose appropriating \$200,000 from taxpayers this summer to spend on those warriors and consultants for that project.

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Robert Berg: Let's go to the village attorney category you propose this 120 \$9,000 on books and periodicals for the village attorney.

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Robert Berg: But you eliminated the in house village attorney position and now have an outside law firm filling that role, whether the \$29,000

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Robert Berg: On page 24 there's an unexplained line item for supplemental services that was budgeted at 220 \$5,000 for 2019 2020 that's jumped to \$300,010 during the year and the new budget proposes \$370,000 I'd like to know what that's all about.

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Robert Berg: Our Director of Human Resources who this board promoted to village attorney over much objection and raised her salary 270 \$5,000 is now back in her old job at her elevated

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Robert Berg: And will be getting a raise 270 570 8500 hours or HR job has a market value of 50,000 or less based on what it costs to hire her predecessor.

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Robert Berg: So we're needlessly paying a huge premium me to do this village patronage system that should be corrected.

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Robert Berg: The Public Works Department budget includes 260 \$7,027 for shade trees that seems to be trees with leaves.

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Robert Berg: I think taxpayers will have a much sun your disposition. If you eliminate more than a quarter million dollars from the tax bill for shade trees this year.

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Robert Berg: On February 11 while the mayor said that the village is started intensively preparing for the kids that look for

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Robert Berg: authorized the village manager to sign a brand new five year collective bargaining agreement with a Police Officers Union.

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Robert Berg: This new contract results in a \$500,000 retroactive increase in police officers salaries for the current fiscal year, and then another \$500,000 increase in salaries.

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Robert Berg: For fiscal 2020 2021 each year salary increases 2.75% in a non inflationary environment.

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Robert Berg: Going forward and entering into this lengthy new contract at that critical moment in time, a long term contract which poses large new tax.

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Robert Berg: burdens on residents was reckless of the mayor and the board I hold on signing should put in place based on the extraordinary circumstances work.

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Robert Berg: Work Experience. Moving on to the fire to budgeted over a million dollars in excess pay and the tentative budget for our career firefighters.

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Robert Berg: That's completely ridiculous. In my opinion, we have 58 volunteer firefighters who can fill in to cover the overtime shifts of our career 46 career firefighters.

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Robert Berg: You propose to the budget 420 \$9,000 in overtime pay for fire suppression activity overtime and \$48 in overtime pay for training activities. We're afraid firefighters that's \$550,000 in overtime pay for a career. I can't fathom why would ever firefighters overtime training.

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Robert Berg: during regular shifts

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Robert Berg: And

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Robert Berg: Why

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Robert Berg: Substitute for chefs career firefighters so that we don't pay them overtime makes no sense.

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Robert Berg: Parks and Recreation several weeks ago I asked. I saw that the rec department was hiring for summer programs they can't be cool.

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Robert Berg: And I asked you what would be non recoverable cost of the village be for preparing for those programs if they were ultimately cancelled, but never got a reply Steve said tonight that there's really no cost.

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Robert Berg: For preparing for the day camp and limited costs to the pool that this doesn't make any sense to me. I wish he could explain how he came to those numbers.

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Robert Berg: And finally, let's go to the municipal bond issuance at the March 31 budget meeting the village Treasury insistent that muni bonds could only be issued for specific

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Robert Berg: Capital Projects and couldn't issue any general obligation bond. Well that didn't sound right to me. So I did a little research and I quickly found section 29

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Robert Berg: Of the village front of the finance law and that says budget notes any municipality or district Corporation, other than the Fire District me issue budget notes during any fiscal year for any foreseeable

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Robert Berg: Public emergency during sex year, such as epidemic conflagration Riot storm flood earthquake or unusual parallel to the lives and property in the citizens of such a unit.

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Robert Berg: Of government in such amount as the finance board shell determined to be necessary. So, contrary to what the village treasure was suggesting the village can freely issue Kobe 19 budget notes over the next year, if it needs to, to meet any unforeseen budget problems as a result.

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Mayor Samwick: Mr Burt I let you go over eight and a half minutes because I took your word on eight minutes and 15 seconds, but I'm sorry but we're going to be cutting

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Robert Berg: Let me just

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Robert Berg: One more priority.

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Robert Berg: So as a result, the village is a lot more flexibility and Matt appropriating excess of taxes from our residents this July.

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Robert Berg: And instead, the village can budget more cautiously my bottom line our residents need a tax cut this year. And as I've shown you can

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Robert Berg: You can deliver a tax cut without cutting village staff without furloughing village staff and without reducing village services, it's your duty to do so. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you, Mr.

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Mayor Samwick: Anybody else wishing to be heard this evening.

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Mayor Samwick: Here with me just a moment.

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Mayor Samwick: Young, are you there.

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Yingyong Chen: Yes. Hi.

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Mayor Samwick: Hi.

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Yingyong Chen: Thank you, Miss MAYOR AND THANK YOU. The Board of Trustees. My comments are very short. I first one is, I agree with some of the

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Yingyong Chen: People who comment before me. I think if any year is a good time to make a statement for from the bill issue with the board to the residents there you know we are serious about

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Yingyong Chen: Fiscal responsibility. I think this might be the year, I think, making sure we we don't overextend residents, you know, budget and that would be a great

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Yingyong Chen: Gesture so I would strongly recommend us considering a budget that does not increase property tax. So that's one and two, obviously understand this is really a, you know, challenging time for you guys to maintain their services and

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Yingyong Chen: All this stuff going on, but also with a lot of the department close that. Now, a lot of normal activity in the opposite. Not happening. Could this be a good time for our village to productivity many plans and you know map out our long term service.

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Yingyong Chen: Sort of level of service in this, you know, really long term.

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Yingyong Chen: Obligation we have into public safety, you know, fire department. Police Department. Those are the stuff we should not be making short term decisions, but I think we, this could be a good time for us to really

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Yingyong Chen: Think about the long term planning of this that you right size our services a level services and then

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Yingyong Chen: Property also make some, some people says make a fees versus tax and all this stuff. So I'm not suggesting we make any changes or stuff for the short term, but I think this might be this might be opportunity for us to plan for something like that. Thank you. That's all I have.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much.

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Mayor Samwick: Alright, bear with me. Just a second.

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Mayor Samwick: Bob, are you there.

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robert harrison: I'm Harrison.

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Mayor Samwick: Yes.

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robert harrison: Can you hear me.

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Mayor Samwick: Yes, we can. Bob Hey

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robert harrison: First of all, my name is Bob Harrison. I'm a 40 year resident of Scarsdale

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robert harrison: Back in 1989 I started to Scarsdale tax pair alert. We have done done a number of mailings were on the school boards lists to get the

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robert harrison: labels for every house in Scarsdale and we've done periodic mailings and the thrust of out of the organization. And it depends on the issue. But the issues have been related to

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robert harrison: Taxes Scarsdale taxes and trying to get good value for our tax dollar. So we've made statements over the years to try and limit tax increases on our residents.

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robert harrison: And we strongly feel that this year is one where we're in unprecedented territory with this virus. It's not going to disappear tomorrow, unfortunately.

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robert harrison: And it's going to hurt our community for some time to come. And therefore we goldman sachs today released a comment that stated that they felt this economic situation will be four times I emphasize four times as bad as the great recession of 2008 2009 and I don't think Goldman

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robert harrison: Talks to Mike Lee. They're very serious about this. So, and we've had other comments by folks here with the seriousness of this pandemic and its effect on

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robert harrison: Every citizen and their incomes and what their ability to pay is so I sent around. I don't know if you're seeing it. I sent an email around to you folks earlier this evening and came from the Scottsdale inquire back in 2009 and it

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robert harrison: Talked about the responding to the community for free use of salaries by Scarsdale school employees superintendent Michael McGill and five other administrators

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robert harrison: Offered to freeze their salaries for the 2009 2010 year and obviously the school board accepted that their offers

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robert harrison: And I'm not sure what the teachers did, but I think they also did some things to help with the cost of managing the school district. So I'm asking for serious consideration by our village manager and our senior

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robert harrison: Non union employees to consider taking a freeze on their wages for the coming year. I don't think it's too much to ask and the

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robert harrison: So I hope that's something that they would do voluntarily voluntarily, quite frankly, and things could be made up, perhaps in future years when things get better. So please consider that and

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robert harrison: The

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robert harrison: Other so that's an area that I don't say discussed previously, by the way, I want to thank the mayor and Justin Eris I've had conversations with both of them. I appreciate their work, dedication

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robert harrison: And all the time, they put into this. It's difficult. We may disagree on some things. But I think the cut with the

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robert harrison: Library delay because quite frankly I'm going to use a word. I think it's a pittance, to go from 1.98% to 1.46%

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robert harrison: And I'm hoping that you will go down to, I would like to see zero increase in the village budget for the coming year. And at least get it down to maybe a half of 1% which for every 1%

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robert harrison: Decrease in the tax rate. I understand it would take about \$400,000 in cuts and certainly I agree with Mr Berg on many of the things that he's raised, I think.

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robert harrison: The freight way project is is dead, for the time being we shouldn't be spending another dime for that and

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robert harrison: Some of the other items that Bob mentioned, I think deserves serious consideration. I understand you're building up a

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robert harrison: What you call it a coven and as \$3 million fund in case you don't get the, you know, from the revenue side, I certainly understand that revenues will be reduced from sales tax, and from mortgage tax funds. So I know there will be shortfalls from those areas so

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robert harrison: The

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robert harrison: Other things. And quite frankly, just as a throwing in the

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robert harrison: The comfort station that I've been trying to get at the middle school tennis courts for years.

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robert harrison: And I think it's somewhere in 120 550,000 and I think it's an item that affects the tax rate and I

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robert harrison: Certainly, see no reason why it shouldn't be delayed for another year, it won't. We can put up with that we put up with so

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robert harrison: So I don't know if it's an item that affects the tax rate but I certainly would not be adverse to having is delayed another year. And then with the library. You know, I think.

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robert harrison: The library team did a fantastic job. They raised the money. My family participated in one of their fundraisers, and there's

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robert harrison: No reason to me why you couldn't delay the opening of a library for another you know two or three months. There's that would pick up another half a percent to reduce the tax increase.

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robert harrison: And quite frankly, as I understand it, I think the total number of people who contributed Dave is fantastic that they raised like \$9 million from residence.

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robert harrison: But the number of families that did that were maybe 500 families. I don't know what the final number. Was that, was that contributed

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robert harrison: But what I'm saying is we have a 5500 plus households in Scarsdale so it wasn't like, you know, just had been voted on by the Community.

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robert harrison: To spend issue a \$10 million bond. Who knows whether it would have passed. But anyway, I'm glad.

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robert harrison: The effort was done and but delaying that opening another three months or more to save tax dollars in the current year. I think

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robert harrison: There's not a problem with that we have no library. Currently, you can assemble in a library. And so let me see if I have any other quick items here going through my notes. You guys know I always have a bunch of papers and the

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02:31:21.990 --> 02:31:41.580

robert harrison: Virus I'm involved with the markets and Wall Street every day and the situation there are some of our great companies in the world who are looking to come up with a vaccine and and cats. We need testing you can open. We may not be able to open anything our schools.

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robert harrison: Or colleges without testing. And how about the sports world how you're going to have people come into stadiums with 50 to 100,000 people

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robert harrison: Testing is so critical. And how soon we can have tests that can be done quickly, I mean Abbott Labs has a test, but it's going slowly to

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robert harrison: To get I think they've done maybe 50,000 plus test and we're talking about millions of people needing to be tested so we can all safely walk around and

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robert harrison: And let me just finish up here. I don't know what time it is on my speech, but

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robert harrison: I had terrible trouble getting into, I understand you had an earlier meeting at seven and I did everything that was on the way on the village website was si codes numbers.

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robert harrison: And and I try and candy or more times couldn't get in and I assume you had some public comment period Lang, is that correct there.

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Mayor Samwick: So above it. I did let you go. Again, as Mr. Bird good to about eight and a half minutes. So I am going to cut you off here.

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Mayor Samwick: Semi

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robert harrison: Me. Did you have a public comment period earlier yes or no or

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Mayor Samwick: Was so there there was a public comment period and there will be another one.

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robert harrison: Okay, that's

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robert harrison: That would be good too, because I couldn't get on it took me an hour to get on and I was doing everything that I was told to do by your website. Thank you very much.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay, anybody else wishing to be hurt.

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Mayor Samwick: Again, there will be another there will be. This is the public hearing on the budget, there is one more public comment section of the meeting coming up a little later.

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Mayor Samwick: It looks like there's one other person that is see

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Mayor Samwick: My role. Are you there.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Hi. Yes, good evening might occur Kindle for that he is a fox better. Oh, thank you very much for holding this meeting I continue to believe that unfortunately the projections are still too rosy.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Last time you had the board meeting on March 31 on that day I published a piece for Forbes

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: With my data analysis, arguing that the covert 19 economic crisis would be far worse than the financial 2008 crisis.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: And the more research I've done and seeing the doubling of default rates, the tremendous problems that thousands of municipalities are having around the country.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Means that they're going to lay off even more people. We already have 17 million Americans on employed and we're likely to get to over 20 million

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: By this Thursday when the official unemployment insurance data come out and that data really understates the problem because you have lots of business owners.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: And contractors who are not counted in the data. One of the concerns that I have in these budget discussions is I'm not hearing anything about the income sensitivity of our residents 50% of Scarsdale residents.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Know make less than \$250,000 and those numbers are already incredibly outdated. Unfortunately, there's a there's a serious lag with these numbers.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: They don't take into account the many, many residents here in Scarsdale who either have already had to have pay cuts, who have lost their jobs.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: For any of you who get the Scarsdale enquire, you may have noticed that the last two Fridays.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: The issues were the issues were incredibly thin. Why is that because nobody is advertising.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: And when the scars will inquire is having to, you know, have a fundraising mechanism in the hopes that our wonderful century old newspaper can stay alive. You know what more data do you need in addition to the income sensitivity data.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: That I'm discussing right now. This is not the time for any kind of tax increase the Bob Burg, and Bob salado

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Sean Cohen and I sent you a working paper already about a month ago and we never got to respond to it response to it and I appreciate Miss dem buzzers comments earlier saying that

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: You know, you need to get more of the community involved, and I appreciate that you do, Mr. Mayor, sometimes answer my emails, but we never did get a response.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: To that working paper with our recommendations of what else needs to be done there needs to be more support in the village for small businesses and there needs to be a lot of support for our residents.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Every single market signal and macroeconomic data analysis that I've done and published in the last couple of weeks tells me

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: That we're likely to be in about four quarters of a recession. I don't see even the most minor beginning of a recovery until about 12 months from now, and if I end up being wrong.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: I would love to be wrong. And I would welcome all of you to send me an email with a big lol mighty, you are wrong, but at the moment.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: I just don't see it, I urge you to absolutely make every possible reduction that Bob Burg outline right now and under no circumstances should taxes be raised the median income of Scarsdale is plummeting and that

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Mayor Samwick: Hello.

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Mayor Samwick: seem to have lost you give me a second, see if there's anything here.

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Mayor Samwick: That appears like everything's working on this end model right there.

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Mayor Samwick: Alright we appear to have lost her apologize if there's anything on this end, but it doesn't appear to be the case. Anybody else wishing to be heard.

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Mayor Samwick: See if we can get

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Mayor Samwick: My record already gets back. Hello, are you there.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Yes, I'm here.

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Mayor Samwick: Did, did

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Did any of my comments come through.

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Mayor Samwick: Oh, yes, yes I did.

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Okay, good. Well, thank you very much again the as you know I've sent you lots of

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Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez: Of data analysis. This is not the time to be raising taxes and we're not we're likely to be in a recession for at least 12 months. And so I urge you to take the income sensitivity issues of Scarsdale residents in mind as you finesse this budget. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much for your comments.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay, anybody else wishing to be heard.

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Trustee Lewis: Tom for trustees to share their views or

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Mayor Samwick: St RS as a couple of things to

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Village Attorney Steinman: Mayor, if I might.

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Mayor Samwick: Yes.

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Village Attorney Steinman: If the public hearing is completed, you should make a motion to close the public hearing and then go into a board discussion.

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Mayor Samwick: Right, I believe that trust ERS does has that on his agenda. Okay, good.

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Trustee Arest: I would absolutely entertain a motion to close the public hearing at this time.

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Trustee Arest: Actually, actually.

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Trustee Arest: Mr. Simon. Should we, should I ask the village village clerk to acknowledge the written communication that we've received before I close it.

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Village Attorney Steinman: You can certainly do that. Make it part of the public hearing record.

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Trustee Arest: Misconduct. Is that possible. Do you have the

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Trustee Arest: Budget related may have any literature. Let's see.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Sorry, I had to unmute

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Village Clerk Conkling: Okay, yes. So knowledge that

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Trustee Arest: You have, do you have a list of the people just names and dates of budget related comments that you've maybe you could just read into the record for the purposes of the public hearing

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Village Clerk Conkling: Oh sure, that from the written communications. Yes.

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Village Clerk Conkling: PLEASE OKAY. YES, WE HAD 11 communications and city.

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Village Clerk Conkling: From Bob Burg Neil dropout Susan former Ralph here to communications from our Scott Hirsch and shaker and shift Nicholas Thompson, the voter's choice party and Alex Wolff.

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Trustee Arest: Thank you very much.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Mr. Franklin.

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Trustee Arest: Okay, so at this time I would like to welcome and entertain a motion to close the public here.

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Trustee Crandall: So moved. I guess.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay, there's a second

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Mayor Samwick: All in All in favor.

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Mayor Samwick: So then, I'd like to, to invite trustee IRS to to continue as the

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Mayor Samwick: As the point person on the budget. So trust the IRS. If you start the trustee comments right

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Trustee Arest: There, please. I'd be happy to. And I will be brief. I just, it will probably take me more time to figure out how to get this back on the screen.

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Trustee Arest: Does that look

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Trustee Arest: Like

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Mayor Samwick: We can see it.

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Trustee Arest: You see the whole the full screen or you see

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Mayor Samwick: Loads of it.

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Mayor Samwick: No, we see it in segments.

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Mayor Samwick: There, that's better.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay.

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Trustee Arest: So I'm just going to repeat one of the last slides briefly just reminding everybody that our budget is 69.3% reliant on property taxes, keeping the property tax levy as low as possible is always the objective

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Trustee Arest: I think here, I would just like to point out. I really appreciate all the public comments always but in particular tonight.

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Trustee Arest: And I think, I hope that the Community realizes how seriously we take our role in this economic crisis.

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Trustee Arest: You know, obviously we're taking the health crisis part of it, at least as seriously as well and I think

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Trustee Arest: Our goal always is to keep the property tax levy as low as possible. And in this case, we understand what's going on to all of us.

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Trustee Arest: I don't think anybody can escape the economic impact of that 19 the issue that I face is that when I look at the options for offsetting the tax levy

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Trustee Arest: additional revenue service productions and other budget levers and I think about, you know, a lot of the people who are advocating for a zero increase or even a reduction.

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Trustee Arest: Are also some of the same people who are predicting the most dire circumstances going forward.

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Trustee Arest: And so that would mean a scenario three where the deficit could be much larger than what we're we're currently projecting for scenario one scenario to

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Trustee Arest: We need to fill that we need to be able to pay for that. I think Mr. White stone made a very interesting point about municipal bond issues.

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Trustee Arest: That there might be some uncertainty. We are limited in terms of our fund balance. We absolutely are willing to look at service reductions and have those conversations and

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Trustee Arest: As it becomes more clear what's needed. We will do those, you know, in very short order.

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Trustee Arest: But in terms of other budget levers. If we do rely on those. We have to be cognizant that they're short term and as our revenues decrease even more.

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Trustee Arest: And you know what happens to 69.3% that number grows. We're even more reliant on our property taxes and it's unfortunate. I wish it wasn't the case and you know I truly wish that we could have a reduction in taxes this year because I know that residents needed

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Trustee Arest: You know, merchants as well. We need to do we need to do as much as we can for merchants and there. There are some ideas in capital that you know if the money is available. I mean, we need to do what we can. But for later conversation.

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Trustee Arest: I want to just point out, going back to, you know, trade offs and being careful about deciding which services and whatnot. There was one comment in particular about shade trees.

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Trustee Arest: For 260 \$7,000 and the idea. I think was the way I interpreted was trees and leaves. I'm actually not aware of one tree that is purchased with that 260 \$7,000 there is some material purchase. But, you know,

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Trustee Arest: Understanding of the budget and you know from discussions and meetings and looking at it again.

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Trustee Arest: You know, much of that is actually, you know, a team of of tree trimmers who spend virtually every day for the safety of the Community trimming trees. We have a very old tree stock in the community.

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Trustee Arest: They also shipping because most of our team. Most of our employees, you know, they have certain civil service titles.

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Trustee Arest: But they they're incredible in their willingness to help out.

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Trustee Arest: And so some of those individuals might help out with the with the leaf program in the fall and reduce our reliance on part time labor additional costs there. If it snows, they may chip in for snow removal

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Trustee Arest: If they're available and not working on trees. Specifically, so you know it's a broader conversation. It isn't as simple as saying we're not adding trees. I don't know of a municipality of our size that spend that much money on trees, every year.

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Trustee Arest: And then with the rec program just I want to just make two points clearly as, as in presentation as it showed and from the village treasures scenario analyses.

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Trustee Arest: Looking at scenario one scenario to. It was a net effect from recreation. So all of those expenses in the hypothetical, of course, don't exist.

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Trustee Arest: They've already been cut and so i wanted i. Part of the purpose of this presentation was to be very clear with the community.

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Trustee Arest: That you know we can we can pick out various things. I mean freight way as an example. I don't anticipate there being any money expended on those straightway

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Trustee Arest: Uses but what are we going to do with them. Where are they going to go. We could put them immediately. I guess into the contingent account. We could have that conversation.

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Trustee Arest: But the real conversation for me to have now because we have the flexibility that let's say the school district doesn't have. We can make changes. And actually, Mr channel. I want to thank you because

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Trustee Arest: I believe you were one of the most eloquent in your in your point to the school board at one of their meetings when you advocate it to them to hold off and you said you know better data.

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Trustee Arest: Makes better decisions. Try to wait as long as you can and I hope you appreciate that. Or at least recognize that that's exactly what the plan is here. It's not to

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Trustee Arest: You know, we want to do everything we can for for tax savings for our residents and we want to protect them in every way that we can with their services and during this health crisis.

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Trustee Arest: But we also have to be responsible and realize that their implications for

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Trustee Arest: This year's budget in particular for next year's budget, what it means to the tax levy. And so, you know, we can certainly have an additional conversation on this, but

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Trustee Arest: I just I just would ask for caution. And so going back to what the file, the increase was, I'm not going to repeat it, because I did just previously.

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Trustee Arest: But you know in conversations for data driven decisions.

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Trustee Arest: There was money found and a lot of appreciation that goes to the library board in the library director and of course village manager and Phillips treasure.

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Trustee Arest: Trying to figure out exactly how much you know we could take take from the library budget and then it's up to the Board of course how we use it, it could go into the contingent account.

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Trustee Arest: The recommendation at this point is to take that that potential you know surplus from recent delays and certainly covert 19 uncertainty \$210,000 which

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Trustee Arest: My friend Mr Harrison. I know did not mean did not call the \$210,000 a pittance, I know, I know what you meant. It's certainly not a pittance

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Trustee Arest: Just as I don't take any dollar of potential increase as as nothing because every dollar matters, reducing our tax levy \$210,000 is a lot of money, especially when we're again going to probably be relying a great deal on our property tax levy unfortunately going forward. And so

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Trustee Arest: As I said, the recommendation is to apply that to the tax levy and what that would mean, you know, eventually, assuming the board approves it, and for conversations sake. A 608,000 \$298 increase, which is 1.46% or roughly \$95 per average household. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay, so with that other trustees, I believe, Trustee Lewis indicated interest in commenting.

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Trustee Lewis: Sure. Thank you so much. And of course, thanks everybody for all the hard work that's gone into these meeting preparations.

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Trustee Lewis: This crisis highlights the critical role. The government plays in our society by providing essential services like our police and fire department.

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Trustee Lewis: And water and sanitation services. I want to thank the heroes of our police and fire departments as well as all of our village

employees who have ensure that our villages run safely and efficiently during this national emergency

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Trustee Lewis: I'd like to thank our village manager Steve Pappalardo and our staff all the dedication, they have shown during this time of crisis.

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Trustee Lewis: I applaud the effort of the mayor and village manager to revise our budget and propose a lower tax rate.

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Trustee Lewis: I believe if we engage the full board in public in more frequent conversations about the proper level of taxes and the proper cost structure.

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Trustee Lewis: It is possible. We can revise the budget even further to sufficiently reflect the current fiscal realities.

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Trustee Lewis: While we have reviewed two possible scenarios that could adversely impact our revenues and our working group meeting on March 31st.

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Trustee Lewis: I believe we need to evaluate and consider a worst case scenario that impacts, not only our revenue for adverse outcomes, but our cost structure for adverse outcomes.

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Trustee Lewis: And the greater uncertainty in the timing of cash flows that is likely to occur. We need a real debate on scenario three

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Trustee Lewis: It is likely we have different views on this scenario only through open debate will we craft a useful scenario for planning purposes.

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Trustee Lewis: As I mentioned, on March 31 the timing of our cash flows may become less predictable.

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Trustee Lewis: I believe it will be important to have a conversation about the timing of cash flows how our cash flow may be impacted under various scenarios.

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Trustee Lewis: And the decision tree we might use to make further costs adjustments, should our reserves fall lower than advisable.

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Trustee Lewis: It will be more important than ever to manage our cash flow and cash reserves carefully.

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Trustee Lewis: I do not believe we should be raising taxes at this time. There's too much pain. And in fact, I believe we should be finding ways to reduce expenses and taxes further

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Trustee Lewis: So while i'm i'm pleased with the direction that has been taken by the mayor of the village manager, I believe we need a more engaged public process to take a closer look at our cost structure investment process and adjust appropriately. Thank you for the time.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you to St. Louis other trustees.

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Mayor Samwick: Trustee Crandall

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Trustee Crandall: Yes. Mayor, thank you so much and trust us. Thank you so much for all of the work you've done together with village manager Pappalardo and certainly treasure buckler

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Trustee Crandall: This is a difficult time for many of our residents I you know I've received a couple of phone calls and I've certainly read the emails. I've listened to the comments this evening.

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Trustee Crandall: I'm well aware from talking to friends and relatives about the loss and investments, loss of jobs, the fear that's out there and I've given our village budget, a great deal of thought.

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Trustee Crandall: The problem here.

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Trustee Crandall: Is that municipal government isn't like any other business. You know what's

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Trustee Crandall: essential services, police, fire sewer water, sanitation, to name a few.

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Trustee Crandall: There are too many unknowns, with the situation. We don't know if there will ever be a vaccine or we don't know if there will be a second wave, it's, it's too hard to predict.

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Trustee Crandall: One thing I do know, however, is that a well managed municipal government indirectly protects property values.

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Trustee Crandall: Just as a good school district helps maintain our property values during hard times, that was an important factor for us when we purchased our home back in 1991

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Trustee Crandall: Because we wanted to make sure that our investment you know lasted, and that it would serve us well into the future and for many residents their home is their largest asset.

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Trustee Crandall: Therefore, I do support the data driven approach to the 2021 budget.

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Trustee Crandall: That will provide Scarsdale village with a financial flexibility to keep the community safe and relatively stable, given the ongoing unpredictable Cove and crisis.

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Trustee Crandall: Please note that with the austerity measures in place, we are already cutting back on non essential spending.

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Trustee Crandall: The village needs its property tax revenue. However, in order to pay its bills and to keep the community safe and stable. Once again, this isn't like any other business. Our business is to keep the water running. So it's safe to drink.

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Trustee Crandall: And, you know, to continue to provide police and fire, you know, all of those things you've grown accustomed to.

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Trustee Crandall: The other thing I would like to mention is that when it comes to our personnel costs. One thing we learned this year as we were searching for a new assessor

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Trustee Crandall: Is that the pool of people going into municipal work. It has been shrinking. So, you know, with other businesses. Perhaps it's easier for them to to cut salaries or to look to make you know

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Trustee Crandall: You know job cuts, but when it comes to a municipality. We have to remember that there aren't you know so many people looking to go into municipal work.

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Trustee Crandall: And, you know, as a Scarsdale resident. I certainly want to find and keep the best people possible to serve all of you, because that's important that keeps us safe that keeps us you know as financially stable as we can be.

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Trustee Crandall: So with that, I'll close and i i am i wish i I could I could do this in in any other way because I I do realize that financial hardship that's out there. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust your Crandall trust your girl.

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Trustee Veron: Thank you, Mayor

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Trustee Veron: As a mayor Samak and trustee RS explained in great detail this evening and I actually want to thank you so much for your clear communication.

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Trustee Veron: As we stated at our other work sessions important meetings this board and village staff immediately responded to the coven 19 crisis by engaging in budget and scenario analyses.

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Trustee Veron: Just the beginning we are all keenly aware of our responsibilities to the taxpayers and to the long term health of Scarsdale. And our goal continues to be prudent fiscal management driven by real time data.

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Trustee Veron: To that end, we've devised a three part plan. The first which we've discussed at length in prior meetings and again tonight is the redirection of funds from the 1920 budget and the institution of

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Trustee Veron: austerity measures in the current environment. The second is the revision to the 2021 tentative budget with the added Taxpayer Relief that we spoke about with respect to the library.

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Trustee Veron: deferral of opening. And then the third is the evaluation of multiple scenarios with projected revenue shortfalls and expense management alternatives.

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Trustee Veron: And we would be keeping in mind that both operating and capital improvement levers would be considered

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Trustee Veron: So again, three parts. And we're just in my view at the very beginning, I strongly encourage this board to have regular deliberative sessions to monitor to plan and to pressure test our financial assumptions.

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Trustee Veron: There are many conversations that we need to have with the community on the trade offs that they'll tolerate

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Trustee Veron: That they desire and the cost benefit to the long term health of our village.

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Trustee Veron: But before us this evening is one action item that relates to the second effort of our three part plan, which is the revision to the tentative budget and I know the mayor and trustee ours.

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Trustee Veron: explained the statutory requirements so tonight. What we're really speaking about is the tentative budget that had been filed that we need to vote on at our next meeting, and that we are proposing.

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Trustee Veron: An alternative and

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Trustee Veron: That is that we understand feel deeply the stress and uncertainty. These times bring and we are recommending a reduction to the tentative plan tax rate from 1.986% to 1.46%

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Trustee Veron: This reduction is made possible by the careful fiscal management of the library budget.

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Trustee Veron: More explicitly by the tireless and meticulous efforts and I say we are recommending what I say is that that has the mayor has mentioned that in his communication. I think the board will have to vote on it. So I, I will speak for me, actually, not for a week, but for me it

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Trustee Veron: It is really

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Trustee Veron: A result of the tireless and meticulous efforts of our library director Beth per mile

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Trustee Veron: And you'll hear later this evening that that's oversight of this library budget has been extraordinary. She cautiously postponed filling open positions.

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Trustee Veron: She waited to hire until we were as close as possible to the renovated and libraries reopening and throughout this entire project. She scrimped

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Trustee Veron: On normal operating expenses. So now, given the slow downs related to the coven health emergency. We are incredibly grateful for her stewardship, the anticipated opening will be deleted, and will you heard a preview of that a bit.

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Trustee Veron: And

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Trustee Veron: Given the restrictions on social distancing and

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Trustee Veron: Which impact our construction and talk a little bit more about that in the resolutions, so

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Trustee Veron: Again, Beth. Beth will postpone director Brunel postponed the anticipated expenses that that had been shared

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Trustee Veron: With us in January at our budget hearings. So I want to underscore that the change in this current budget represents a deferral of a planned expense, not an austerity cut and the board intends that the library is well documented needs will be met, I believe, as

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Trustee Veron: we reopen the library under hopefully much more positive conditions.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much, trusting her on

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Mayor Samwick: Any other trustee wishing to comment on the budget at this point.

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Mayor Samwick: Okay, with that, then I believe trustee arrest would like to make an additional. Yep.

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Trustee Arest: I will lower up. You did lower my hand for me. Thank you, mayor. I just wanted to kind of comment on one other something else that was made about this might be an opportune time to re evaluate services efficiencies and whatnot.

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Trustee Arest: I would love to start discussing

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Trustee Arest: Our operations and not because we need to make decisions, necessarily, but because we need to really be prepared as more visibility comes as more clarity comes, we have to be ready and we intend to be, but we also have to be very cognizant that

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Trustee Arest: You know, even though things might be technically closed at our village staff, especially I mean at all levels, but in particular, from what I've seen the department heads.

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Trustee Arest: They're working harder than they've ever worked ever

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Trustee Arest: And they're just not available. They just, I don't get. I don't believe they have the capacity to do the kind of deep dive that we need to do.

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Trustee Arest: In order to bring options to the community and have that conversation that absolutely needs to happen.

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Trustee Arest: In response to a potential deficit, that's much larger than than scenario two. So just kind of reiterate, not only are we prepared to do it, but we're looking for the opportunity when that comes and village manager is aware

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Trustee Arest: But at this point, from what I've seen, managing this health crisis that time unfortunately it's just not now. Thank you.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust. Yes, so

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Trustee Lewis: Could just jump in because I think it's good to have a little bored debate and and I just need to push back on the premise that you've just offered to us trust the Eris

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Trustee Lewis: Which is simply not time for us to think through these issues and other ways.

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Trustee Lewis: I think that's what working sessions are for. I think it's okay for the board to debate things with the data we have.

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Trustee Lewis: I think we have adequate data to have more detailed and in depth conversations. And I think that will help us prepare our thought and a framework for debate.

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Trustee Lewis: As staff is better able to support it with more data. So I'm not certain that that that what you said is, is completely accurate or reflects the views of the entire board.

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Trustee Arest: And that's fair. And I'd love to hear from anyone else that might disagree or agree.

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Trustee Arest: When I would say to counter that however is that I welcome. I think you're aware of, I welcome conversations and debate at any point I'll have another working session tomorrow if you want

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Trustee Arest: I think we have to be very careful about setting the Community's expectations about what's realistic.

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Trustee Arest: And while we can pick apart the budget, to the extent that we can, and I'm sure as you have I've been sitting with my budget for for as much time as I can go in through and looking at different options.

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Trustee Arest: But until we can actually break it down and realize what the, like, as I've said the unintended consequences of many of these changes are we can point to a service change or, you know,

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Trustee Arest: Whatever it might be. And if we don't have all the full information and of course you know village manager is literally working seven days a week.

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Trustee Arest: I mean, we could try to have him, you know, add more time to have him do this because it is important. I don't think anybody thinks differently.

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Trustee Arest: But because we have the edit time he should be focusing on the health crisis, as far as I'm concerned.

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Trustee Arest: And we have to address exactly what you're saying, but I just think it's a little dangerous to give potentially give hope.

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Trustee Arest: To the community or or set us up set ourselves up for ill informed decisions without someone to back it up and do the deep dive into the numbers that we need. But, you know, obviously, we can agree to disagree.

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Trustee Lewis: And I think the word dangerous is a inappropriate word we're talking about public debate.

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Trustee Arest: Difficult

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Trustee Lewis: And none of us.

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Trustee Lewis: None of us want to put pressure on our staff, who's doing heroic work.

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Trustee Lewis: Steve has done an amazing job. So, as Mary Lou and we should all be thankful for the dedication and service. My point being is our last

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Trustee Lewis: Working session on the subject of the budget was on March 31 and it is two weeks later, is it possible we could have had a session last week.

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Trustee Lewis: Is it possible we could schedule more sessions with advance notice so we can all prepare and have thoughtful deliberations and conversations

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Trustee Lewis: I think, I think it's possible to say we're going to agree to have conversations, while at the same time agree not to make a decision, so we can all understand you better understand each other. But I think that could be useful.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you, everybody. So I think, you know, one of the things that that a number of people have talked about trust tiaras just mentioned, is, you know, one of the operating realities that we have right now.

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Mayor Samwick: We are operating in an environment of a pandemic with and immediate hit to the economy worldwide, not just here in Scarsdale

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Mayor Samwick: And, you know, as a result of that we have executive orders that we're operating under one of those that impacts us very directly

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Mayor Samwick: Is that, you know, we cannot have more than 50% of our staff on site at any given time. And so I what I am seeing firsthand.

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Mayor Samwick: Is a truly Herculean effort on the part of staff to operate a central services of the village and to deal with the Fiscal Responsibilities that we have to deal with.

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Mayor Samwick: And so what that means is taking a taking immediate and decisive action to a short term threat doing it in a way that is conservative doing in a way that is proven

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Mayor Samwick: And leaving the door wide open for subsequent changes, we have the luxury, if you will, of having budget flexibility that not all governmental bodies have

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Mayor Samwick: We have the ability to adjust the the budget on an ongoing basis. We have committed and we will have regular increases.

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Mayor Samwick: regular meetings rather regular work sessions where we address the data. And so we took immediate action to deal with the immediate threat.

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Mayor Samwick: I think trustee Verizon said something that was very, very important and that is about keeping our eye on the long term health of the village.

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Mayor Samwick: And so we have matched short term threats with with short term actions. Now we're shifting into a data driven mode where with increased visibility.

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Mayor Samwick: We may decide we very well may decide. In fact, it's likely that we decide to take further action, but to take action that has long term impacts while we only have

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Mayor Samwick: I would say, right now we have almost no visibility was going to say short term visibility. But I think at this juncture, we actually really have almost none.

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Mayor Samwick: We had we have seen an opportunity to look at data in the current budget and look at a known delay.

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Mayor Samwick: In the completion of the library and to use that for Taxpayer Relief because we absolutely

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Mayor Samwick: Understand the suffering of our residents were suffering the same exact things. We're all in this together. We all want to see taxes that are that are reduced. We want to see taxes that are lower than they are today.

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03:06:51.390 --> 03:06:59.610

Mayor Samwick: But we need to balance, who we are as a community, what are our core values. And those are things that really shouldn't be addressed.

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Mayor Samwick: In the midst of the emergency when we have plugged what we believe to be you know any of the holes that we can see in the short run.

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Mayor Samwick: So the library has done an exceptional job Beth famille has done an exceptional job managing her budget that gave us the financial flexibility to to reduce the tax increase for this year.

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Mayor Samwick: I also want to take this opportunity to make sure that people are aware that what our budget impacts that we make this year trust the IRS has talked

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Mayor Samwick: Ad nauseum about, you know, the unintended consequences and the ripple effects of things we do. So what we do this year with the library budget means that next year.

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Mayor Samwick: In an ordinary year if we're looking at, you know, an arbitrary number of a 2% increase in the library budget.

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Mayor Samwick: We're going to be looking at more than that because the first full year of operations has now been deferred to the 2021 fiscal year.

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Mayor Samwick: We are going to see a number that is not a regular operating increase number for the library as a result of this cut in the library. That's fine. It's the right thing to do. But it's important to manage expectations. It's important to know that what we do.

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Mayor Samwick: With respect to the library. This year has ramifications on on future years as well. So, you know,

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Mayor Samwick: I think that it's important that we stay very focused on on the fiscal impacts here. It's important that at the same time we are

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Mayor Samwick: Focused at least as much on the health, safety and welfare of our community of our residents of our employees and that we continue to deliver essential services because that is as

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Mayor Samwick: I think every trustee has pointed out, that is what our village government is here for. It's here to provide police protection fire protection to distribute water to our residents to pick up the trash. These are critical services that need to continue. So with that,

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Mayor Samwick: I'd like to ask staff for a resolution to approve the budget, as has been amended by proposal specifically outlined by trustee Mrs to be prepared for the April 28

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Mayor Samwick: Board of Trustees meeting so that we can be in compliance with our New York State statutory requirements to adopted budget no later than May 1

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Mayor Samwick: So with that we will move on to our agenda items and trust the IRS to leave your resolutions or

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Trustee Arest: There's more

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Mayor Samwick: There is more.

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Trustee Arest: Okay.

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Trustee Arest: My first resolution is actually the call for another public hearing

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Trustee Arest: On a local law amending chapter 269 of the Scarsdale village code entitled taxation and the village manager and his comments did a very good summary of what's going on here in terms of the assessor or identifying a concern and our new assessor, of course, Miss serota and her office.

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Trustee Arest: Focusing on our seniors and you know who are eligible for certain partial exemptions and then requirements that are that are part of that. And the deadline of may 1 of the calendar year.

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Trustee Arest: And she created. She was very proactive. I mean, she I think she's fitting in very well. She started a call list immediately and the office is actually calling everyone

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Trustee Arest: Who has taken an exception exemption previously to review their options in terms of filing and the village manager also alluded to that as well. So I will stop there, but

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Trustee Arest: What I will say is that this is an emergency extension for filing of renewal application. And even though she's optimistic that they will try to get through everyone

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Trustee Arest: There obviously could be other people who she doesn't have on the list and hopefully we can try to reach them through

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Trustee Arest: Our new sources through our press releases through use of Twitter, etc. Of course, the Senior Counsel, but

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Trustee Arest: This kind of gives us some more flexibility to extend that and I think it's really important. So I appreciate the work that's going into this. So,

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Trustee Arest: Resolved, be it resolved that a public hearing is hereby scheduled by the Board of Trustees of the village of Scarsdale at 7pm.

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Trustee Arest: On Tuesday, April 28 2020 via zoom video conferencing service to consider a proposed local law to amend Chapter 269

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Trustee Arest: Of the Scarsdale village code entitled taxation and be a further resolved that members of the public wishing to present comments may do so online during the public comment phase of the hearing.

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Trustee Arest: By accessing the meeting at the information here in and be a further resolved that the village clerk is hereby directed to publish notice have said hearing pursuant to village law.

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Trustee Crandall: Second,

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Mayor Samwick: This is a row column is confident, please.

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Mayor Samwick: Wait, we need to unmute unmute you.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Sorry.

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Trustee Crandall: I

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Village Clerk Conkling: St. Louis.

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Village Clerk Conkling: St Ross.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Hi Lucy.

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Village Clerk Conkling: I will see

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Village Clerk Conkling: I more Samara

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Trustee Arest: Okay, my second resolution is regarding the families first coronavirus response act as it relates to emergency responders. This is a law that was signed by the President and march 18 2020 and I should note that I believe it was sponsored originally by our soon to be retiring local congresswoman

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Trustee Arest: Need lowing

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Trustee Arest: And the families first coronavirus response act includes a temporary expansion of the FM LA and emergency paid leave provisions and it becomes effective April 2 became effective, excuse me, April 2

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Trustee Arest: And so what it does, it's actually, it's, it has a lot of important parts to it. But part of it permits covered employers and you know to well

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Trustee Arest: I'm sorry, I should take a step back. It allows certain additional protections to employees. Because of this, this health crisis.

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Trustee Arest: And and those protections are extremely important. However, it also recognizes that certain covered employees, including public employers like us.

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Trustee Arest: Might need might have to exclude emergency responders and healthcare providers from the applicable paid leave visit provisions of the Act.

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Trustee Arest: And, you know, this would be done only out of necessity, because these people are necessary and they're providing the front line of defense for our community and for health and safety.

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Trustee Arest: So with that, saying, you know, we do recognize that it's an emergency responders deliver critical safety emergency services to our residents to our businesses.

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Trustee Arest: So, therefore, be it resolved effective immediately into the extent that may be required by federal law or regulation to village here by exemption excludes its emergency responders, including but not limited to

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Trustee Arest: All members of its police and fire departments Public Works personnel and any other job classifications as may be excluded under federal law and regulations.

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Trustee Arest: From any applicable FM LA and emergency paid leave provisions of the Act and be a further resolved that the village reserves the right to modify or terminate this resolution at any time in order to meet the needs of the village and its employees.

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Trustee Crandall: Second,

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Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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Trustee Arest: Aye. Aye.

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Mayor Samwick: Thank you trust. Yes Trustee Crandall I believe you have a resolution.

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Trustee Crandall: Thank you, mayor. This is regarding authorization to execute an interim municipal agreement with Westchester County for the maintenance of the Bronx River Reservation.

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Trustee Crandall: Whereas the County of Westchester owns the Bronx River Reservation, which includes a product

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Trustee Crandall: And proximate 3.7 acres of parkland adjacent to the Bronx River and bordering the Scarsdale train station and depot place.

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Trustee Crandall: And whereas the village of Scarsdale is interested in performing maintenance activities.

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Trustee Crandall: In this parkland to assure that the land be kept free of litter and debris and remains an attractive natural buffer to this well traveled area.

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Trustee Crandall: And whereas over the past 30 years the villagers Scarsdale in Westchester County have been parties to intern municipal agreements permitting with village to enter this county own property to conduct these maintenance efforts in accordance with our objectives and whereas the current

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Trustee Crandall: Inter municipal agreement expires on April 30 2020 and the village and county are desirous of continuing this arrangement.

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Trustee Crandall: Through the execution of a successor inter municipal agreement and whereas the term of the proposed inter municipal agreement is five years, commencing retroactively.

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Trustee Crandall: On May 120 20 and terminating on April 30 2025 with the ability of either party to terminate for any reason. Upon 60 days prior written notice

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Trustee Crandall: To the other, and whereas the village attorney has reviewed the attached agreement and approved as to form.

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Trustee Crandall: Now, therefore, be it resolved that the village manager is hereby authorized to execute an intern municipal agreement renewal with the County of Westchester in substantially the same form as attached

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Trustee Crandall: Your to for the maintenance of the county old parkland adjacent to the Bronx River in Scarsdale is detailed in Schedule A of the

agreement and be it further resolved that the village manager is hereby authorized to undertake any administrative X required under the terms of this agreement.

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Trustee Ross: Second,

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Mayor Samwick: Roll call, please, Miss

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Village Clerk Conkling: Leslie Crandall

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Village Clerk Conkling: St. Louis.

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Village Clerk Conkling: I st Ross.

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Village Clerk Conkling: High well

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Trustee Veron: I

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Village Clerk Conkling: Guess the woman.

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Mayor Samwick: I thank you very much. Trustee Crandall trustee Lewis. I believe you have two resolutions.

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Trustee Lewis: Yes, the first resolution awarding

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Trustee Lewis: VM on track 1261

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Trustee Lewis: Regarding the village center single space meter contract.

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Trustee Lewis: First I want to call everybody's attention to the march 24 memo. It's an excellent summary written by Ingrid Richards assistant village manager outlining all the details that are in part summarizing the rest clauses.

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Trustee Lewis: In the late hour, I will go directly to the result was resolved that VM 1261 the village center of your contract be awarded to the integrated Technical Services, Inc. A capital Dr Longford CT oh 6492 at the unit prices itemized the attachment

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Trustee Ross: Template.

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Trustee Lewis: For an estimated total cost of 69,009 54

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Trustee Lewis: And being further resolved that the same that the cost of same be charged a capital projects fund H 3397 dash 962 dash 2020 dash 065

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Trustee Lewis: A bunch of glyphs center new coin meters or two other appropriate accounts for parking meters, as determined by the village manager and be at further resolved.

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Trustee Lewis: That the village manager is hereby authorized to execute VM 1261 village center single media space contract.

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Trustee Lewis: On behalf of the village in Scarsdale with integrated technical systems being a capital, Dr. Wong for two to 6492 and to undertake administrative access may be required under set agreement.

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Mayor Samwick: Will call again these companies, please.

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Trustee Arest: If I, if I could just quickly, I wanted to make one comment if I, if I may, that

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Trustee Arest: This has obviously been something that's been discussed for well over two years now. And it started with that with a survey that you know we originally thought about maybe going to smart meters. We thought about going to smart, you know, what's the term not single use but

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Trustee Arest: Nobody has

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Village Manager Pappalardo: A space.

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Trustee Arest: Thank you very much, smart meters in that way. We did a thoughtful survey, I believe, at that time, and understood what the community's needs were

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Trustee Arest: The recommendation was obviously to go to tango with how we did. And then eventually to replace all of the meters and I don't. I'm sorry, I don't remember if it was this board of the previous board.

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Trustee Arest: I think it was

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Trustee Arest: Previous board we we had concerns about that large of an expense, because you know obviously the aesthetic would be helped by replacing the meters completely and potentially a lot of the polls.

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Trustee Arest: We we pushed back and and i think got a better result out of it. And a lot of hard work by Miss Richards by village manager to find

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Trustee Arest: A solution that is just the insides of the meter. It isn't even replacing the actual meter itself in the polls. And I think, you know, I'm just, I apologize for being a little long here, but

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Trustee Arest: You know, every single resolution that we look at as I know it's the same for all of us where we expend dollars. I know it's the same for the village manager, as I mentioned with the bills, even though this is 1920

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Trustee Arest: Fiscal fiscal budget, it still matters. However, at the same time, I am cognizant of the needs of our merchants and I understand and also for our residents for their use.

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Trustee Arest: And to to come back out of this. And have you know too many meters that are just malfunctioning and have to expend dollars on service of these meters. It's time. And I think this is this was the most proven course and so therefore I say I

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Village Clerk Conkling: Trust you Crandall

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Village Clerk Conkling: I posted

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Village Clerk Conkling: It yesterday, Ross.

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Trustee Ross: I'm sorry I

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Trustee Veron: I want to also make a couple of comments crusty artist reflected. Much of what I think as well. I've been tracking this project for

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Trustee Veron: Actually approved before I even joined the board when we actually initially had almost like a half a million dollar a potential allocation toward meters and

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Trustee Veron: When I saw this resolution in my packet I immediately had in my head, the austerity measures, we've put in place and in fact corresponded with the village manager about this issue and

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Trustee Veron: And I agree with my colleagues that this is a very prudent use of funds at this time, given all of the alternatives. In fact, this is so

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Trustee Veron: I have to commend assistant

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Trustee Veron: Manager Richards for what she's gone through to get us to this place where we're spending money you know about \$70,000 from

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Trustee Veron: Expense that we considered which could have been hundreds of thousands of dollars and truly if this weren't something that didn't currently plague our residents and our

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Trustee Veron: Merchants that we are constantly people are so frustrated with the mechanisms that are not working, and that will I would even defer the 70,000 but given

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Trustee Veron: The reality and given and village manager may want to comment but he actually spent a long time thinking about this as well. So I just want. I guess the community to understand that nothing is taken lightly and

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Trustee Veron: And I vote to support this resolution.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Trust you all man.

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Village Clerk Conkling: I mayor saima

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Mayor Samwick: I'm gonna vote I as well. And I'll just keep it short and sweet and echo what trustees arrest and Verizon indicated here.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Yeah. Mayor, if you will.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: Please, yeah I I also agree with what trustees there on and and Eric mentioned I you know the meters down there.

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Village Manager Pappalardo: The mechanism so long overdue to be replaced.

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03:23:12.060 --> 03:23:22.200

Village Manager Pappalardo: We have so many of them that have been out of order over the last year or so that it was very difficult to keep up with just a part time meter repair repair man.

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03:23:22.800 --> 03:23:31.800

Village Manager Pappalardo: To do all that work, we need to have parking meters that function to have a viable village center and not only for our Parker's

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03:23:32.100 --> 03:23:48.480

Village Manager Pappalardo: But also we owe that to the merchants. We don't need folks getting frustrated and getting ticketed and not having a good experience in the village. The other thing is that we had already rejected these bids one time and Ingrid, you know,

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03:23:49.770 --> 03:23:56.250

Village Manager Pappalardo: repackage the bid specification call the vendors, because there were some issues with their bids.

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03:23:56.670 --> 03:24:04.230

Village Manager Pappalardo: And make sure she made the proper adjustments to the to the VM contract and made sure that they understood what we were looking for. And in fact,

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03:24:05.160 --> 03:24:17.370

Village Manager Pappalardo: You know, we actually ended up saving money with this, with this, with this rebid I don't remember the money. It's in the cost. It's seven or \$8,000 I think it's in the it's in the memo that she wrote

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03:24:18.840 --> 03:24:30.870

Village Manager Pappalardo: But you know there's a there's a finite pool of parking meter vendors who are still in this business of the single space meter mechanisms and if we were to, you know,

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03:24:32.010 --> 03:24:40.650

Village Manager Pappalardo: reject this resolution. At this time I would have concerns about coming back into the market, whether it be a year from now or or more

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03:24:41.730 --> 03:24:52.890

Village Manager Pappalardo: And being comfortable and confident that we were going to get competitive bids after rejecting the bids twice. So I think for all those reasons, it makes sense at this at this point in time to approve this

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03:24:54.750 --> 03:24:55.170

Mayor Samwick: Thank you for

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Mayor Samwick: Trusting Louis, I believe you have another resolution.

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03:24:59.640 --> 03:25:05.130

Trustee Lewis: Yeah. The next one is is a good example of how the board's responding to the changing situation.

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Trustee Lewis: The resolution rejecting bids for VM contract 1263 furnishing deliver street trees. Here we have a very detailed memo dated April 2 from Jeffrey Coleman

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Trustee Lewis: Superintendent of Public Works and it describes this particular program program that's been in place since 2015 regarding native trees and the offering of them to our homeowners and the discussion of how they get planted and the benefits of the community of planting native trees.

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Trustee Lewis: Let me go to the

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Trustee Lewis: Last whereas clause because of summarize it summarizes very well. Whereas, given the current economic uncertainty surrounding the covid 19 pandemic.

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Trustee Lewis: They're related austerity measures implemented by the village manager.

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Trustee Lewis: And the priority of the Department of Public Works to deliver essential public works services during this health crisis staff recommends that all bids received for VM contract 1263

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Trustee Lewis: Be rejected in their entirety. Now, therefore, be it resolved that all bids for VM contract number 1263

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03:26:05.850 --> 03:26:22.710

Trustee Lewis: Furnishing delivered street trees are hereby rejected and then any and all bid deposits received from vendors be returned and be it further resolved that the village helps to continue this annual tree planting program in fiscal year 2021 should the aforementioned circumstances, improve

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03:26:25.710 --> 03:26:27.450

Mayor Samwick: This is a roll call is conference, please.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Trustee Crandall

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Trustee Crandall: Up before voting, I would just like to make a couple comments as you'll remember during my liaison report I spoke about Arbor Day this year and the 50th anniversary of Earth Day.

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Trustee Crandall: The

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Trustee Crandall: The tree canopy in town is quite important. It plays a vital role in our stormwater management by preventing flooding.

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Trustee Crandall: The trees absorb the storm water and I actually learned a lot about this many years ago after a big storm when I heard about my neighbors in Fox meadow experiencing sewer.

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Trustee Crandall: Backups in their homes and you know that still continues in parts of town. In addition to the edge would neighborhood that we've heard a lot about this year.

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03:27:23.970 --> 03:27:32.790

Trustee Crandall: So as I said before, you know, take good care of the trees that you have on your own property. If you have concerns about any of the village street trees.

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Trustee Crandall: Please call village hall, so that they can take good care of them and keep our community safe and once again.

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Trustee Crandall: Walk your property. If you see any baby trees growing take care of them transplant them elsewhere on your property where they can grow hopefully to to replenish our canopy some more, as you know, it takes a long time for a tree to grow to maturity. So regretfully, I am voting, I

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Village Clerk Conkling: Just

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Trustee Lewis: I

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Village Clerk Conkling: Just you Ross.

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Trustee Ross: I and I before i thought i i would like to echo trustee cradles comments and in light of the importance of Eric at the trees.

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Trustee Ross: That we have in our community and planting new ones. I do strongly hope that this is the only time I will ever have occasion to vote I on a resolution to this effect, but I do that I

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03:28:32.100 --> 03:28:33.030

Village Clerk Conkling: Just the Baron

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Village Clerk Conkling: I just knew lawman

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Village Clerk Conkling: I there, Sam I

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Mayor Samwick: I also vote I and I will also say that this is as good example is exists of one of the things that is really, you know, somewhat unique and really great about the village of Scarsdale that unfortunately we are sacrificing and losing to this pandemic.

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Mayor Samwick: Trustee Louis. Thank you, Trustee Ross.

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Trustee Ross: Thank you, mayor. This is a resolution regarding authorization to execute a municipal snow and ice agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation for 2019 or 2024

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Trustee Ross: Whereas the maintenance of state highways includes control over snow and ice removal authorized by the New York State Department of Transportation do T

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Trustee Ross: And snow and ice control on state highways 15.7 miles at which are located within the village of Scarsdale may be performed by the host municipality.

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Trustee Ross: pursuant to an agreement between the municipality and do T and the village has historically provided such service on behalf of do T since 1999

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Trustee Ross: For Success of amendments to the municipal snow and ice agreements, the latest of which was extended through June 30 2019

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Trustee Ross: And the deity recently desert delivered a five year agreement effective July 1 2019 and ending June 30 2024 also allowing for three five year extensions

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Trustee Ross: And the new contract is an index lumps on contract with 201920 season estimate of \$40,908 and 70 cents adjusted annually.

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Trustee Ross: Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the village manager to execute the New York State and municipal snow and ice agreement.

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Trustee Ross: Between the village in Scarsdale in the New York State Department of Transportation in substantially the same form is attached here to

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Trustee Ross: And be it further resolved that village manager is here, an authorized to undertake all administrative access required pursuant to the terms of the agreement, including the execution of any subsequent amendment to the above cited agreement.

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Mayor Samwick: Second, this again is a roll call his country, please.

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03:30:42.060 --> 03:30:43.620

Trustee Arest: Yes. Hi.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Jesse Crandall

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Village Clerk Conkling: I St. Louis.

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Trustee Lewis: I

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Village Clerk Conkling: Host The Ross.

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03:30:50.100 --> 03:30:51.840

Village Clerk Conkling: I will see Dan

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03:30:53.010 --> 03:30:53.280

Trustee Veron: I

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03:30:54.000 --> 03:30:55.020

Village Clerk Conkling: Guess the woman.

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03:30:55.320 --> 03:30:56.760

Village Clerk Conkling: I know Sam.

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03:30:57.510 --> 03:31:03.510

Mayor Samwick: All right, thank you trusted Ross trust you've earned. I believe you have three resolutions.

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03:31:03.660 --> 03:31:13.260

Trustee Veron: YES, THANK YOU MAYOR, THE FIRST resolution reflects what mayor, Sam, what described at the beginning of his mayor comments is how

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03:31:14.250 --> 03:31:27.810

Trustee Veron: The pandemic has also brought out the very best of our community and we have one phenomenal example before us this evening we are accepting a gift from the Scarsdale Chinese association to provide pp.

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Trustee Veron: E to our first responders and we are so incredibly grateful for their generosity and commitment and again humanity during this

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Trustee Veron: Very, very difficult time. So I'm going to read the resolution and fall

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Trustee Veron: Whereas amidst significant shortages in the availability of personal protective equipment for scars. So first responders, including police

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Trustee Veron: Fire public works in Scarsdale volunteer ambulance Corps Scarsdale Chinese Association thoughtfully presented a gift of 3000 surgical masks.

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Trustee Veron: valued at 1500 dollars to help secure the health and safety of scars else first responders as they work the front lines of the covert 19 pandemic and service to the scars of community.

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03:32:20.730 --> 03:32:28.140

Trustee Veron: And whereas pursuant to policy 106 of the villages Scarsdale administrative policies and procedures manual and health gifts to the villages Scarsdale

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03:32:28.560 --> 03:32:37.020

Trustee Veron: Acceptance of all gifts valued at \$500 or more must be approved by the Village Board of Trustees. Now, therefore, be it resolved at the Village Board of Trustees.

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Trustee Veron: Hereby accepts the gift of 3000 surgical masks for scars those first responder from Scarsdale Chinese Association and be a further resolved that the Village Board of Trustees here by extend it's heartfelt thanks to the Scarsdale Chinese Association for their caring generosity.

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Trustee Crandall: Second,

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Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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03:32:57.510 --> 03:32:58.920

Trustee Ross: Aye. Aye.

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03:33:00.420 --> 03:33:07.230

Trustee Veron: Okay, the next two resolutions are regarding the library renovation and construction project.

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03:33:07.830 --> 03:33:14.160

Trustee Veron: The first extends the contract with our architects and construction management, given the change to the timeline.

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Trustee Veron: And the second provides for change orders due to unforeseen circumstances unanticipated feel conditions and product project modifications.

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03:33:23.400 --> 03:33:37.770

Trustee Veron: Paul's I check has graciously offered to join us this evening to provide remarks to give context to these resolutions. I know the community follows a library closely, so thank you Paul for joining us.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Today. Can everybody hear me okay

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Mayor Samwick: Yes, we can.

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03:33:45.660 --> 03:33:48.690

Facilities Manager Zaicek: Very good, thank you. Good. The mayor and trustees.

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03:33:49.950 --> 03:34:02.130

Facilities Manager Zaicek: The first item is the data architects extension as you know dattner architects was the is the architect that designed the project is also performing construction administration.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: For the village, they had an 18 month agreement.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: For full time ca services structure administration are called ca to be short.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Which expired and December.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: They propose the extension to their agreement that will bring us to the new I anticipated.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Substantial completion, which is an August of this year.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: So that would require eight but there's no months of CAA services.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: The original agreement had monthly fee of \$31,880 per month for the CAA services, the villages able to negotiate down that monthly rate by 25% down to 23,900

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03:34:54.360 --> 03:35:10.350

Facilities Manager Zaicek: We're also able to get them to agree to hold her 2017 hourly rates from the original contract. So we're a additional months at the lower rate we're looking at 190 \$1,200 additional fees.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: We went back and forth as you know what this agreement with the, the architect.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Daniel Neuberger, he's the principal of the firm and he submitted a new proposal that has the funds being distributed in two different ways.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: For the first three months from January to March.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Will be a lump sum fee of Sony \$1,700 that's just three months, times the reduced rate for services they already performed

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Started April 1 we're proposing, or they're proposing.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: An hourly

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: Agreements where they'll charges for the hours that they were and this because it's more

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: stability that we can extend out their services past August if needed. So if we get towards August and you see the construction is going to be extended, they can scale back their hours.

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03:36:18.270 --> 03:36:22.200

Facilities Manager Zaicek: And restructure their hours so be extended services as long as we can.

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03:36:23.220 --> 03:36:26.520

Facilities Manager Zaicek: Not knowing what's going to happen with the virus and pandemic.

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03:36:27.750 --> 03:36:32.220

Facilities Manager Zaicek: So we think this gives us much more flexibility moving forward by doing it this way.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: So right now we are anticipating being completed so technical put in August seven, engineers, which is a CM on the project for the village, please.

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03:36:46.890 --> 03:36:57.900

Facilities Manager Zaicek: Sir, but all things go correctly, but we can we forecast right now with the virus was going to happen. So I think this agreement gives more flexibility than what it was before you let the last time.

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Facilities Manager Zaicek: And the funds for this are coming from the chance to perform the library fund balance for this free smart work.

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03:37:07.230 --> 03:37:12.180

Trustee Veron: Thank you very much for the fall reporting you're conscientious

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03:37:13.470 --> 03:37:19.410

Trustee Veron: Management of this project before I read the resolution, I want to reiterate what

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03:37:20.160 --> 03:37:35.400

Trustee Veron: This was I check just said, which is because of the good management improved print oversight from the art director Mr. As I check and the entire team. The library has available savings and other funding sources that will cover the costs associated with the

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03:37:37.350 --> 03:37:47.910

Trustee Veron: Without impacting the village taxpayers. So we, I also want to reiterate, because this is a public private partnership and we must acknowledge the

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03:37:49.110 --> 03:38:00.870

Trustee Veron: The efforts by the Friends of scars, a library and also the generous donors in our community who have made this project a reality for all of us. So I'll start with the

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03:38:01.980 --> 03:38:03.900

Trustee Veron: The first. Yes.

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03:38:03.930 --> 03:38:07.680

Trustee Arest: Jesse, can I just, can I just ask one question before you get into the solution itself.

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Trustee Arest: I'm just curious if the first resolved and maybe there's some other tweaks if it should be for a total potential increase of

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Trustee Arest: Because the, if I'm not mistaken. It is a not to exceed limit of \$119,500 on the hourly basis that Mr. Jeff just pointed out hopefully with with the great planning.

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Trustee Arest: And management, you know, that doesn't have to be that total, obviously, it may be. And that's not to exceed which is which is helpful to have in any contract but

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03:38:43.350 --> 03:38:46.410

Trustee Arest: We're not actually committing to it is my only question slash point

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03:38:49.650 --> 03:39:06.060

Trustee Veron: I think that's a great clarification. I don't. It says proposed it, but I think it could be more explicit with the potential increase and noting that the staff negotiate that down by 25% so we're, we're a good place. But I will make that slight adjustment.

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Trustee Arest: To the resolution to do I have to make a motion.

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03:39:08.790 --> 03:39:11.640

Trustee Arest: To men but Steve you, Mr village manager do

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Village Manager Pappalardo: With all you comfortable with that.

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03:39:14.910 --> 03:39:16.350

Village Manager Pappalardo: Adding not to exceed

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03:39:17.490 --> 03:39:24.570

Village Manager Pappalardo: Don't know what's in the contract that's in the contract. I just, I'm suggesting that maybe in the resolve it should be for a total potential increase of 191

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03:39:25.230 --> 03:39:29.940

Village Manager Pappalardo: Right, yeah, that yeah that's fine that language is fine. Yeah.

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03:39:30.120 --> 03:39:31.380

Trustee Veron: That is the word proposed.

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03:39:31.710 --> 03:39:33.240

Village Manager Pappalardo: Total. Okay.

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03:39:33.300 --> 03:39:35.280

Village Manager Pappalardo: And potential. Okay. Very well.

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Trustee Arest: Mr assignment or can we just make that change before the trustee Varun reads the

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Village Attorney Steinman: Consensus, you can just do it and have a read it in the resolution, if you want to be more formal. You can make an amendment.

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Trustee Arest: For me,

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Trustee Veron: If you'd like to move that I modify the resolution I we can have

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03:40:03.390 --> 03:40:05.730

Trustee Crandall: Their second second

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03:40:06.060 --> 03:40:06.900

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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03:40:07.680 --> 03:40:10.590

Trustee Veron: Aye. Thank you. Thank you for

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03:40:11.070 --> 03:40:21.210

Trustee Veron: Thank you close reading trustee arrest. So this resolution is the extension of construction administration services agreement for the scars of public library renovation and expansion project.

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Trustee Veron: And transfer of library fund balance. The Village Board authorized 570 \$4,000 construction administration services agreement with dattner in 2017

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Trustee Veron: And and Paul gave you all the background in response to unforeseen Phil conditions the associated increase in some middle

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Trustee Veron: Reviews and reimbursed expense is the village manager pursuant to the village internal control policy authorize an additional \$51,437 and 34 cents of the data nerd agreement.

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Trustee Veron: The project is now projected to be substantially complete

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Trustee Veron: By end of August 2020

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Trustee Veron: That's requiring an additional eight months of CAA services.

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Trustee Veron: For the remaining eight months the negotiated fee has been reduced from \$31,888 and 88 cents to \$23,900 per month, resulting in a total potential increase of

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Trustee Veron: 190 \$1,200 yielding a CA services contract. Total of 816,000 \$637 and 34 cents continuing care services are critical. So successful project completion.

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Trustee Veron: And due to cost savings realized through prudent library personnel management during construction.

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Trustee Veron: funding to support this additional work is available through library fund balance now. Now, therefore, be it resolved.

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Trustee Veron: At the village managers here by authorized to execute an extension of the data architects construction administration Services Agreement.

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Trustee Veron: And substantially the same form is attached to your two for total increase of 191 or potential increase \$191,200 and revise that in your contract total of

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Trustee Veron: 816,000 \$637 and 34 cents and that the village manager is further authorized to undertake administrative access may be required on the terms of the contract and be further resolved.

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Trustee Veron: That the potential hundred and \$91,200 be transferred from the library fund balance to the library construction administrators capital account noted here in for the cost of these additional construction administrative services actually that total will be transferred

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Trustee Veron: To be Claire. Yes, the full total right here a second

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Mayor Samwick: This is a roll call this company, please.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Trust, there's

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Village Clerk Conkling: No secret and Crandall

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Village Clerk Conkling: I St. Louis.

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Village Clerk Conkling: I see Ross.

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Trustee Ross: Were accused. And if I might ask if

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Trustee Ross: That's a record reflect that I recuse myself from the

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Trustee Ross: The motion to amend this motion as well. I attempted to do so that had not unmuted myself.

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Village Clerk Conkling: Trustee Baron

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Village Clerk Conkling: I guess the woman.

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03:42:59.400 --> 03:43:00.780

Village Clerk Conkling: Hi Sarah.

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03:43:01.560 --> 03:43:03.330

Trustee Veron: Hi. Okay.

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Mayor Samwick: To bear on I think you have one more.

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Trustee Veron: One more, the resolution authorizing change orders for VM contract 1228

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Trustee Veron: The VM contract 1228 was awarded by the Village Board trustees on June 26 2018 to the lowest responsible bidder near him.

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Trustee Veron: From New Jersey during the course of construction. The combination of certain unanticipated field conditions.

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Trustee Veron: And add a project features expanded the scope of work. He says, necessitating associated change orders a connection with the village manager 1228

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03:43:32.730 --> 03:43:42.870

Trustee Veron: And in accordance with the section 2.9 of the villages internal control policy, the village manager authorized VM contract 1220 changes G C O one through GC 10

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03:43:43.320 --> 03:43:53.910

Trustee Veron: Actually, this is a footnote, there's an incredibly you can't see it through zoom but detailed documentation of every single change order and the rationale, just for public interest.

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03:43:55.440 --> 03:44:05.040

Trustee Veron: For others, but the Village Board of Trustees at their regular scheduled meeting on February 11 for rise contract grand total of 10,000,590 \$1,027 and 49 cents.

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03:44:05.550 --> 03:44:13.860

Trustee Veron: change orders GC 23 GC 31, which is what we're talking about tonight. Totally 110,000 \$199 and 39 cents.

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03:44:14.280 --> 03:44:20.850

Trustee Veron: As described in the attached summary have been reviewed by a village staff seven engineers abilities construction management firm and dattner architects.

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Trustee Veron: The village is architectural firm and were deemed reasonable for the scope of work proposed requiring Village Board of Trustees consideration, pursuant to Section two, nine of the villages internal code policy, taking into account changes GC.

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03:44:36.540 --> 03:44:52.890

Trustee Veron: A total of 390 \$4,226 and 50 cents. The revised construction VM 1228 contract total is 10,701,000 220 6058 cents representing a 3.8% increase overall

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03:44:53.700 --> 03:45:07.050

Trustee Veron: Now, therefore, be it resolved in accordance with section 2.9 of the village of Scarsdale internal control policy change orders GC 23 GC 31 totally 110,000 \$199 and 39 cents.

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03:45:07.470 --> 03:45:17.130

Trustee Veron: At describing the attached are here and authorized for the VM contract 1228 federal construction Scarsdale Public Library renovation expansion project and be further resolved.

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03:45:17.490 --> 03:45:28.800

Trustee Veron: That said additions and modifications be paid utilizing the remaining available project contingency fund built into the approved project funding, along with available balance of unencumbered approved project funding.

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03:45:30.000 --> 03:45:30.570

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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03:45:31.530 --> 03:45:33.390

Mayor Samwick: This again is a roll call in this conference, please.

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03:45:36.210 --> 03:45:36.510

Trustee Arest: Hi.

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03:45:37.050 --> 03:45:37.950

Village Clerk Conkling: Jesse Crandall

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03:45:39.090 --> 03:45:39.450

Trustee Ross: I

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03:45:39.780 --> 03:45:40.140

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03:45:41.430 --> 03:45:41.910

Trustee Lewis: I

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Village Clerk Conkling: St Ross.

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Trustee Ross: For kids.

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03:45:45.150 --> 03:45:46.110

Village Clerk Conkling: St barren.

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03:45:46.320 --> 03:45:46.710

Hi.

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03:45:48.750 --> 03:45:49.200

Trustee Waldman: Hi.

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03:45:49.650 --> 03:45:52.470

Mayor Samwick: Sam. Hi. Thank you.

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03:45:53.130 --> 03:45:55.230

Mayor Samwick: There's nothing written communications.

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03:45:56.640 --> 03:46:11.040

Village Clerk Conkling: Thank you, Mayor, we received 23 communications since last regular Board of Trustees meeting all written communications include responses from the mayor and maybe viewed on the villages website@www.scarsdale.com

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03:46:11.640 --> 03:46:22.050

Village Clerk Conkling: As mentioned earlier, 11 communications were received, and I'll repeat them from the falling persons regarding the tentative the school year 2021 village budget.

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03:46:22.560 --> 03:46:36.180

Village Clerk Conkling: Robert Byrd, you know, dropout Susan fromer Ralph gear to emails from our Scott Hirsch and shaker land ship Nicholas Thompson, the voters choice party and Alex Wolff.

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03:46:36.930 --> 03:46:46.950

Village Clerk Conkling: Three communications were received from the following Pearson's requesting a moratorium on wireless infrastructure approvals during the coven 19 crisis.

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03:46:47.490 --> 03:47:00.060

Village Clerk Conkling: Tamir Ben Simon Jan planter and see this if an email was received from Robert Byrd regarding public participation at the March 24 2020 Village Board meeting.

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03:47:00.750 --> 03:47:07.830

Village Clerk Conkling: And email from Margaret Jo hand expressing her concerns regarding the flow of information on coded 19

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03:47:08.700 --> 03:47:17.580

Village Clerk Conkling: An email from Jeff garlin regarding posted notices at the high school track and a request eliminate the fees for metered parking

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03:47:18.360 --> 03:47:30.990

Village Clerk Conkling: An email from Roger Gerber regarding the use of the high school track a statement from the greenbird human rights advisory committee regarding the march 10 coded 19 presentation in Scarsdale

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03:47:31.710 --> 03:47:39.390

Village Clerk Conkling: An email for mayor hurt and Rodriguez regarding the public comment period at the March 24 2020 Village Board meeting.

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03:47:40.020 --> 03:47:48.060

Village Clerk Conkling: An email from Cynthia Roberts with an inquiry concerning lawn and garden workers during the covert 19 crisis.

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03:47:48.630 --> 03:47:57.180

Village Clerk Conkling: An email from Greg Schwinn with an inquiry concerning and executive order by the governor to ban non emergency work by contractors

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03:47:57.600 --> 03:48:11.880

Village Clerk Conkling: And finally, an email from Sue. Sue, on behalf of the Scarsdale Chinese Association executive board recurring donations to White Plains hospital Westchester MEDICAL CENTER AND OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE groups.

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03:48:13.950 --> 03:48:20.340

Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much. Recycling and now entertain a motion to close the Village Board meeting.

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03:48:21.300 --> 03:48:21.630

The move

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03:48:22.800 --> 03:48:23.220

Trustee Ross: Second,

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03:48:23.970 --> 03:48:24.720

Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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03:48:25.620 --> 03:48:26.370

Aye.

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03:48:27.420 --> 03:48:30.030

Mayor Samwick: And we'd like to open the town board meeting.

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03:48:32.490 --> 03:48:33.570

Mayor Samwick: Town of Scarsdale

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03:48:33.720 --> 03:48:35.010

Mayor Samwick: Roll call, please, Miss company.

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03:48:35.280 --> 03:48:36.300

Village Clerk Conkling: Mr errors.

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03:48:36.570 --> 03:48:38.100

Village Clerk Conkling: Here is Crandall

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03:48:38.760 --> 03:48:41.100

Village Clerk Conkling: Here. Mr. Lewis.

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03:48:41.340 --> 03:48:46.500

Village Clerk Conkling: Here. Mr. Ross. There was barren woman.

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03:48:46.860 --> 03:48:48.240

Village Clerk Conkling: Yeah, Sam.

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03:48:48.900 --> 03:48:53.220

Mayor Samwick: Here we have a motion to approve the minutes of the town board meeting of March.

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03:48:53.220 --> 03:48:55.980
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03:48:57.270 --> 03:48:58.710
Trustee Waldman: We have a second. Second.

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03:48:59.280 --> 03:49:00.060
Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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03:49:00.330 --> 03:49:01.080
Mayor Samwick: Aye. Aye.

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03:49:02.280 --> 03:49:06.960
Mayor Samwick: And a report from the custodian of taxes as of March 31 2020 please

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03:49:07.680 --> 03:49:08.580
V. Treasurer McClure: Evening members of the

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03:49:09.660 --> 03:49:13.050
V. Treasurer McClure: Word, you have received the town financial reports from March 2020

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03:49:14.400 --> 03:49:24.660
V. Treasurer McClure: As at the end of March 99 point 22% of the school tax levy for 2019 has been received and remitted to the school district.

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03:49:25.080 --> 03:49:45.510
V. Treasurer McClure: This is 32 basis points, less than last year's collection rate of 99.54% in addition 99.73% of the county tax levy has been collected. This is almost identical to last year's collection rate of 99 point 69% total uncollected

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03:49:46.590 --> 03:50:14.910
V. Treasurer McClure: Taxes are \$1,203,606 at the end of March, compared with \$750,051 last year delinquent taxes have increased \$52,657 from \$1,057,557 in March of 2019 to \$1,110,214 in March of 2020 the

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03:50:15.990 --> 03:50:26.220
V. Treasurer McClure: County tax bills were mailed the third week of March, if you did not receive your bill please contact the tax department at seven to 21170

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03:50:26.670 --> 03:50:41.040

V. Treasurer McClure: Or email to treasure at treasurer@scottsdale.com. Additionally, please contact the Treasury Department at the above number if you did not receive your urine tax receipt. This concludes the report if there are no questions.

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03:50:42.480 --> 03:50:43.230

Mayor Samwick: Any questions.

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03:50:45.990 --> 03:50:46.320

Mayor Samwick: Okay.

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03:50:46.890 --> 03:50:48.540

Mayor Samwick: Thank you very much, Mr before

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03:50:49.830 --> 03:50:55.410

Mayor Samwick: We have a resolution that that I believe is not assigned

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03:50:56.670 --> 03:50:59.130

Mayor Samwick: I'm going to ask trustee Lewis to take this, if you don't mind.

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03:51:01.590 --> 03:51:03.330

Trustee Lewis: I don't have it easily accessible my

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03:51:03.330 --> 03:51:04.020

Mayor Samwick: pal. Okay.

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03:51:04.170 --> 03:51:05.580

Trustee Lewis: You assign it to somebody else.

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03:51:05.700 --> 03:51:06.090

All right.

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03:51:08.010 --> 03:51:12.900

Mayor Samwick: Actually trusted Goldman was doing the personnel matters. So if you have it handy.

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03:51:19.980 --> 03:51:21.150

Mayor Samwick: You're on mute. We can't hear you.

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03:51:24.720 --> 03:51:25.440

I'm sorry.

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03:51:26.820 --> 03:51:31.620

Mayor Samwick: This is the appointment of the to the assessment reviewed town board Assessment Review

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03:51:33.690 --> 03:51:35.250

Village Manager Pappalardo: Basic last page in the packet

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03:51:35.310 --> 03:51:36.120

single page.

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03:51:41.160 --> 03:51:41.670

Village Manager Pappalardo: At the end

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Trustee Arest: I

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03:51:42.090 --> 03:51:44.700

Trustee Arest: Can I can do the town board meeting page.

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03:51:44.910 --> 03:51:45.360

Yeah.

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03:51:47.280 --> 03:51:48.390

Trustee Waldman: I have, I have a

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03:51:48.480 --> 03:51:48.900

Trustee Waldman: I can't

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03:51:50.940 --> 03:51:52.920

Trustee Waldman: Okay, now I can't find my glasses. Okay.

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03:51:53.940 --> 03:51:54.450

Mayor Samwick: All right.

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03:51:54.900 --> 03:51:56.520

Mayor Samwick: About the last minute on all

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03:51:56.940 --> 03:51:57.660
Trustee Waldman: No, no.

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03:51:59.160 --> 03:52:02.520
Trustee Waldman: Okay appointment to the town board of Assessment Review

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03:52:03.780 --> 03:52:12.390
Trustee Waldman: Whereas the temple board of Assessment Review may include from three to five members appointed by the Scarsdale town board for five year terms.

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03:52:12.630 --> 03:52:23.610
Trustee Waldman: With the Assessment Review Board convening to review the 2019 Property Tax Assessment grievances consisting of five members and the term of Assessment Review Board member

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03:52:24.210 --> 03:52:36.570
Trustee Waldman: Patrick J when expired on September 30th 2019 and whereas the Scarsdale town board is desirous of maintaining and Assessment Review Board of five members going forward.

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03:52:37.050 --> 03:52:45.930
Trustee Waldman: And whereas at the scores, they'll Village Board in town boards work session held on March 9 2020 the town board reviewed and discuss the application.

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03:52:46.230 --> 03:52:58.800
Trustee Waldman: Of Karthik Viswanathan to feel said vacancy and here in recommends that Karthik Viswanathan be appointed to Phil said vacancy retroactive to October 1 2019

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03:52:59.190 --> 03:53:20.580
Trustee Waldman: Now, therefore, the results that Karthik is one a fun 20 Griffin Avenue is hereby appointed as a member of the town board of assessment review for a five year term retroactive to October 1 2019 and ending on September 30 2024 or until such time a successor is appointed

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03:53:22.770 --> 03:53:23.160
Trustee Arest: Second,

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03:53:23.970 --> 03:53:24.720
Mayor Samwick: All in favor.

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03:53:25.620 --> 03:53:26.070

Aye.

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03:53:27.990 --> 03:53:39.150

Mayor Samwick: All right. Thank you very much. We have now come to the second public comment period, and it is 1030 so I neglected earlier to say that

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03:53:40.140 --> 03:53:50.130

Mayor Samwick: There is usually a 10pm limit before we start the second public comment period. So as a result of that, I think, a reasonable approach to this.

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03:53:50.640 --> 03:54:06.660

Mayor Samwick: Is since since eight minutes or more were given earlier that we we limit public comments at this public comment period two to two minutes. So I believe we have a couple of hands raised union. Bear with me one second. Are you there.

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03:54:11.010 --> 03:54:13.230

Mayor Samwick: Mr. Chen who try again.

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03:54:19.440 --> 03:54:19.830

Mayor Samwick: Yes. Are you

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03:54:20.790 --> 03:54:29.160

Yingyong Chen: Know, I'm sure. I'm sorry, but I think this is a malfunction of my software. I didn't mean to raise my hand. I'm sorry about

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03:54:29.490 --> 03:54:31.590

Mayor Samwick: That alright no problem. Thank you.

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03:54:35.280 --> 03:54:40.680

Mayor Samwick: All right, I believe, MR. BYRD would like to comment. Give me just a moment.

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03:54:44.940 --> 03:54:46.470

Mayor Samwick: Hello again, Robert, are you there.

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03:54:46.710 --> 03:54:47.730

Robert Berg: Yes, I am. Can you hear me.

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03:54:47.730 --> 03:54:48.870

Mayor Samwick: Okay, yes we can

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Robert Berg: I I'm

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03:54:51.690 --> 03:55:00.930

Robert Berg: Distress that you continue to ignore my \$2 million in budget cuts but I proposed, which could give our residents fairly significant tax cut.

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Robert Berg: Only Justin address a couple of them. He spoke about shade trees which he says actually is not just shade trees for 260,260 \$7,000

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Robert Berg: It includes other things, including maybe leaf disposal treat trimmers. I mean, the budget document has to be an accurate document. It should say if it includes other items that should say what they are tree leaf disposals actually included in a different line item.

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03:55:29.730 --> 03:55:47.940

Robert Berg: Expressly designated for leaf disposal. So I don't know what else is included that but you should say that the frayed way lawyers and consultants. He made a kind of a shocking comment. He said he be shocked if any of those monies would be used next year for Frank way lawyers and consultants.

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03:55:48.960 --> 03:55:58.080

Robert Berg: You can't knowingly appropriate taxpayer money for a designated purpose if you intend to use it for something else that's called fraud, it's a crime.

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03:55:58.380 --> 03:56:06.270

Robert Berg: So I don't understand if you intend to use money that you've designated for frankly lawyers and consultants next year in this budget.

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03:56:06.900 --> 03:56:14.340

Robert Berg: You can't use it for any other purpose. No, you can't go into this budget, stating that and intend to use it for something else that's

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Robert Berg: The crime. It's securities fraud, ultimately, you can't do it \$29,000 in books and periodicals for the non existent village

attorney. No one's explain what that is or \$370,000 and supplemental services for the village attorney.

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03:56:30.840 --> 03:56:39.480

Robert Berg: Million dollars in excess caused the fire department. There's no answer 2 million bucks here that you could cut and save our taxpayers money.

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03:56:40.980 --> 03:56:50.250

Robert Berg: Trust the Baron was talking about \$200,000 in reductions for the library is some heroic effort, it's just because the building's not finished in time. So why would you ever hire staff.

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03:56:50.760 --> 03:57:03.270

Robert Berg: If the building is not ready for occupancy. Another item. The BCP candidates myself, Bob. So Bob Joe and Joe and con wrote a proposed legislation which we sent to

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Robert Berg: Me Paul and interests with Christians, suggesting that the village taxes be paid in installments. And I've been in contact with me, Paul. And

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03:57:14.040 --> 03:57:26.310

Robert Berg: And it appears that the village could actually allow for installment payments to help our village tax residents in paying their taxes, it would require an executive order from the governor to do that.

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Robert Berg: And allowing them to do so without interest penalties. That's the hang up under the New York State real property tax law.

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Robert Berg: You're required if you pay in installments to pay interest fees.

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Robert Berg: In that amount set forth in the statute. But the governor can override that through an executive order. He's been looking at

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Robert Berg: All every few days, the issues of executive orders, and I think the village should look into asking him to do so. And then we could pay in installments consistent with the villages funding needs and that would give the village residents a break. Thank you.

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03:58:01.410 --> 03:58:02.220

Mayor Samwick: Thank you, Mr Byrne.

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03:58:03.690 --> 03:58:15.450

Mayor Samwick: So, you know, just very quickly to address a couple of those things, you know, if we believe for a second that that that \$2 million of savings was was readily achievable, we would do it.

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03:58:16.470 --> 03:58:21.210

Mayor Samwick: These things are more complex than this. And just to address a couple of things that that were just brought up.

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Mayor Samwick: Nothing in the budget is mislabeled. There are civil sort of service titles. There are things that are that are categorized.

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Mayor Samwick: And we have the benefit of even though we have civil service titles of having employees who are willing to be flexible. So we have people who are part of the year.

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Mayor Samwick: Their main job their civil service title is is tree trimming and, you know, as we've indicated before, we have an old canopy that requires a fair amount of maintenance and work.

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Mayor Samwick: But when the trees shed their leaves. They're willing to put aside the civil service title and help us with with leaf pickup.

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03:59:03.360 --> 03:59:15.120

Mayor Samwick: These are things that benefit the village, they save the village money we're very happy about those with respect to to straightway. I don't want to speak for trustee Rs. But, you know,

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03:59:15.810 --> 03:59:34.350

Mayor Samwick: Again, what we're trying to do is match short term decision making with the short term crisis and and medium to longer term decision making with things that are important to the village, you know, we may find that you know proceeding with freeway is a very prudent thing to do.

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Mayor Samwick: Particularly if we believe that as, as we have early indications to believe that we can do.

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03:59:42.000 --> 03:59:55.920

Mayor Samwick: That we might be able to reduce the tax impact of existing residents, by virtue of adding additional taxable property so i don't i don't think there's any fraud going on. I don't think it's ending this representation going on. I think that

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03:59:56.430 --> 04:00:09.660

Mayor Samwick: The point that that trust Jerez seven lead was trying to make was that, you know, we're not ready to say we're going forward with that project right now because right now we are in emergency operating mode. That's what we're doing.

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Mayor Samwick: And. And lastly, we've had extensive conversations with Council.

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Mayor Samwick: With the village treasure with the village manager with me. Paul and and others about what to do about the payment, a village taxes were working on it.

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Mayor Samwick: We view it as being premature to to discuss at this point, largely because as you correctly pointed out.

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Mayor Samwick: The governor has not yet indicated an interest in doing anything specific here that we've heard as soon as we hear anything about that we are

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Mayor Samwick: deeply engaged in those discussions and we will absolutely pass those along to the village, we again.

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04:00:50.580 --> 04:01:05.010

Mayor Samwick: We hear the concerns of our taxpayers and our residents. These are trying times they're unsettling times there are times of financial strain and we are working very hard to to address those things.

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04:01:06.720 --> 04:01:19.980

Mayor Samwick: With that said, I don't believe anybody else has their hand up for public comment. And so I would like to close the second public comment period and move on to the future meeting schedule.

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04:01:21.270 --> 04:01:32.010

Mayor Samwick: At 530 this evening we started a village work session regarding personnel matters regarding coven municipal operations that was held in Executive Session.

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Mayor Samwick: Our next village board meeting is 7pm Tuesday, April 28 2020 which again we anticipate will be held zoom. With that, I'll entertain a motion to close the town board meeting this evening.

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Trustee Ross: So, there

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04:01:51.510 --> 04:01:53.160

Trustee Arest: I just jump in before you do that and just

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04:01:53.190 --> 04:02:02.520

Trustee Arest: I just want to quickly say it's it's a little disappointing that the conversation immediately turns to crimes and fraud and, you know, a lot of it a little bit of a lot of craziness.

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04:02:02.880 --> 04:02:11.670

Trustee Arest: But I'm the only thing I want to clarify is going back to the point you made earlier about the fact that we're at a point right now with little to potentially no visibility.

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04:02:12.270 --> 04:02:19.800

Trustee Arest: And my point, you know, just, just to state the obvious, but maybe not obvious. For some people, I am one trustee of seven.

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04:02:20.790 --> 04:02:28.440

Trustee Arest: My guess at this point as to what we'll be able to accomplish over the next year or not, you know, I have a lot of hopes for this year.

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Trustee Arest: My focus is the fiscal prudence fiscal responsibility of the role and trying to do what's best for our taxpayers and so

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04:02:36.960 --> 04:02:51.270

Trustee Arest: You know, I apologize if you didn't like, you know, some conjecture there and I probably shouldn't do that. Going forward, but clearly an innocuous comment that that for some reason, unfortunately was misconstrued and use for something pretty extreme

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Mayor Samwick: That you trust us, and we will continue to entertain a motion to close the town leading

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04:03:03.870 --> 04:03:04.470

Trustee Crandall: Second,

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04:03:04.770 --> 04:03:12.480

Mayor Samwick: All in favor. Aye. Thank you, everybody. Very much to late night we appreciate your extended participation.

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04:03:13.110 --> 04:03:13.380

Trustee Ross: Good night.

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04:03:13.440 --> 04:03:14.610

Trustee Waldman: Everybody. Thank you.

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04:03:15.330 --> 04:03:15.690

And I