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**TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN HALL, MAHOPAC, N.Y.**

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel was called to order by Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt on the 20th day of January 2010 at 7:05 p.m. at Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York. Members of the Town Board present by roll call were: Councilman Ravallo, Councilman Lombardi, Councilwoman McDonough, Councilman DiCarlo, and Supervisor Schmitt.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was observed prior to the start of official business and a moment of silence was observed to honor those serving in the United States Armed Forces.

MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON 12/2/09 and 12/9/09 - ACCEPT AS SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN CLERK

On motion by Councilman Ravallo, seconded by Councilman DiCarlo, with all members of the Town Board present and voting “aye”, the minutes of the Town Board meetings held on December 2, 2009 and December 9, 2009 were accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT – DECLARATION OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZATION OF DISPOSAL- AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of Building Department, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby declares the following equipment obsolete and hereby authorizes its disposal in accordance with Town Law:

- Pitney Bowes Copier Model C-85 Serial No. 9108559;
- Hewlett-Packard Desk-Jet 692C printer;
- 3 Tripp Lite Uninterrupted Power Sources Model BC Pers 450;
- IBM Selectric Typewriter Serial NO. 6126-670 6786

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lombardi
Seconded by: Councilman DiCarlo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

POLICE DEPARTMENT – SALE OF OBSOLETE VEHICLES – AUTHORIZED
AMENDED 2/3/10

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, hereby previously authorized the declaration of certain equipment vehicles maintained by Police Department as obsolete and the disposal of said vehicles in accordance with Town Law and its sale by sealed public bid; and

WHEREAS Vehicles are being sold in “as is” condition, without any warranties express or implied on said vehicles

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the sales of the following vehicles are hereby authorized:

- 1997 Ford Expedition VIN#1FMFU18LXVLB56437 to Danewort Roach, Mahopac, NY – \$600.00;
- 2000 Ford Crown Victoria VIN#2FAFP71WXYX110459 to James Roberts, Carmel, NY – \$500.00;
- 2000 Ford Crown Victoria VIN#2FAFP71W3YX196231 to Thomas C. Smith, Carmel, NY– \$501.00

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign any and all documentation necessary to effect transfer of title to the aforesaid vehicles.

Resolution
Offered by: Councilman DiCarlo
Seconded by: Councilman Lombardi

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

SCHEDULING OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING TAX EXEMPTION FOR “COLD WAR” VETERANS – AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the scheduling of a Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 60 Mc Alpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York 10541 on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter that evening as possible on a Local Law amending Chapter 137, entitled “Taxation” of the Town Code of the Town of Carmel in regard to miscellaneous amendments and additions to the said Chapter 137 of the code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to publish and post the necessary notices in the official newspaper of the Town and on the Town bulletin board regarding this Public Hearing.

Resolution
Offered by: Councilman Ravallo
Seconded by: Councilman DiCarlo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW # ____ OF THE YEAR 2010

BE IT ENACTED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Section 137-19 of the Town Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 137-19. Exemption established
Qualifying residential real property owned by veterans who rendered military service to the United States during the “Cold War” shall be exempt from taxation for Town purposes to the extent of fifteen percent of the assessed value of such property, provided, however, that such exemption shall in no event exceed twelve thousand dollars or the product of twelve thousand dollars multiplied by the Town of Carmel’s latest state equalization rate, whichever is less.

SECTION 2. This Local Law shall take effect immediately in accordance with the law.

CARMEL SEWER DISTRICTS #2, #4, #5, #6 AND #7 – REJECTION OF BID FOR LIQUID SLUDGE HAULAGE AND ENGINEERING CONSULTANT TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – AUTHORIZED

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of Carmel has previously authorized advertisement for the solicitation of bids for liquid sludge haulage for the Carmel Sewer Districts #2, #4, #5, #6 and #7; and

WHEREAS the Town Engineering Consultant has advised that only one bid for the project was received and has recommended that the bid be rejected and the project be re-bid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby rejects the bid received for liquid sludge haulage for the Carmel Sewer Districts #2, #4, #5, #6 and #7; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the Engineering Consultant to re-advertise for bids for the aforesaid sludge haulage in conjunction with the Town's general bid conditions and specifications.

Resolution
Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough
Seconded by: Councilman Ravallo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u></u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u></u>

CARMEL WATER DISTRICTS #2, #5, #6, #7, #9 AND #14 – BID FOR PURCHASE OF EMERGENCY GENERATORS TO OWENS ELECTIRC, INC. OF MAHOPAC – AWARDED

WHEREAS the Town Engineer has advertised for bids for the purchase of emergency generators water districts, #2, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 14 of the Town of Carmel, including two (2) generators for Water District #6; and

WHEREAS said bids were received and opened by the Town Engineer and the Town Engineer has made a recommendation for the awarding of said bids by memo which is on file in the Town Engineer's Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, acting as commissioners of the various water districts, #2, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 14 of the Town, hereby awards the aforesaid bid to Owens Electric, Inc. of Mahopac, NY, the lowest responsible bidder who met bid specifications at a price of \$323,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt is hereby authorized to sign such contract #C0208B upon presentation and review of insurance certificates in form as approved by Town Counsel.

Resolution
Offered by: Councilman Lombardi
Seconded by: Councilman DiCarlo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

Prior to the roll call vote Supervisor Schmitt explained that the water in these districts goes out when ever there is a power outage.

Councilman Ravallo noted that this is money well spent and that all the districts should have emergency generators.

LAKE CASSE PARK DISTRICT – ENTRY INTO CONTRACT WITH AQUATIC CONTROL TECHNOLOGY, INC. OF SUTTON, MASSACHUSETTS FOR HERBICIDE AND ALGAECIDE TREATMENT SERVICES – AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED THAT the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, as Commissioners of Lake Casse Park District hereby authorizes the entry into a contract for herbicide and algaecide treatment services at Lake Casse for the 2010 season with Aquatic Control Technology, Inc. of Sutton, Massachusetts at a contract price of \$7,195.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt is hereby authorized to sign such contract upon presentation and review of insurance certificates in form as approved by Town Counsel.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman DiCarlo
Seconded by: Councilmen Ravallo and Lombardi

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

CARMEL WATER DISTRICT #14 – ENGINEERING CONSULTANT TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR APPROVAL OF NY STATE PART (5) ANALYSIS OF WATER FROM WELL #3 – AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED THAT the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, as Commissioners of Carmel Water District #14 hereby authorize Engineering Consultant John Karell, Jr. to submit an application to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, New York State Department of Health and any other jurisdictional agencies required for the approval of the required NY State Part(5) analysis of water from well #3, Carmel Water District #14.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Ravallo
Seconded by: Councilman DiCarlo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

CARMEL WATER DISTRICT #14 – ENTRY INTO CONTRACT WITH BEE & JAY PLUMBING, INC. FOR COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS OF WATER FROM WELL #3 – AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED THAT the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, as Commissioners of Carmel Water District #14 the entry into a contract for collection and analysis of water from well #3, Carmel Water District #14 pursuant New York State Department of Health Code Part 5 with Bee & Jay Plumbing, Inc., Mahopac, NY at a contract price of \$4,604.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt is hereby authorized to sign such contract upon presentation and review of insurance certificates in form as approved by Town Counsel.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough
Seconded by: Councilman Ravallo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

RELEASE OF SITE PLAN BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 TO KEPINSKA & BURLINSKI REGARDING TAX MAP #55.9-1-55 – AUTHORIZED

WHEREAS application has been made by Kepinska & Burlinski at 15 Leaside Road, Carmel, NY for the total release of a site plan bond posted in accordance with the Land Subdivision and/or Zoning Regulations for Tax Map #55.9-1-55, with respect to a grading permit issued for the aforesaid property; and

WHEREAS said application has been reviewed by the Town Engineer and release of the bond has been recommended and approved by the Town Engineer and the Town of Carmel Planning Board,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the release of the site plan bond posted for said Tax Map #55.9-1-55 in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lombardi
Seconded by: Councilman DiCarlo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

RELEASE OF SITE PLAN BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$417,047.00 AND INSPECTION FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,955.35 TO 1831 ROUTE SIX CORPORATION REGARDING TAX MAP #55.6-1-49 – AUTHORIZED

AMENDED 2/3/10

WHEREAS application has been made by 1831 Route Six Corporation, formerly known as Aaron Kass for the return of a site plan bond posted in accordance with the

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Land Subdivision and/or Zoning Regulations for Tax Map #55.6-1-49, and for refund of engineering fee posted in connection same; and

WHEREAS said application has been reviewed by the Town Engineering Consultant and release of the bond and refund of the Inspection Fee have both been recommended and approved by the Town Engineering Consultant; and

WHEREAS the Town Engineering Consultant has advised the Town Board that no construction had commenced by the applicant with respect to the site plan approval for which the bond was posted and inspection fee paid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the release of the site plan bond posted for said Tax Map #55.6-1-49 in the in the amount of \$417,047.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the refund of the inspection fee posted for said Tax Map #55.6-1-49 in the in the amount of \$17,955.35.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman DiCarlo
Seconded by: Councilman Lombardi and Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

Councilman Ravallo questioned if there were any approvals done for this application and if it is now null and void.

Greg Folchetti explained that no expenses have been incurred by the town as the project was abandoned before anything was done. He noted that John Karell, Engineering Consultant, clarified the situation at a previous meeting.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – APPLICATION FOR TUITION REIMBURSEMENT OF POLICE OFFICER TERRAZAS II APPROVED AND PAYMENT AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby approves the application for tuition reimbursement of Police Officer James Terrazas II, dated January 5, 2010 for the Fall 2009 Academic Term at Dutchess Community College and authorizes payment of \$946.33 to Officer Terrazas, pursuant to the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Town of Carmel and the Town of Carmel Police Benevolent Association.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Ravallo
Seconded by: Councilman Lombardi

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

AMENDMENT TO PREVIOUS RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING DATES, TIME AND LOCATION OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS – AMENDED

RESOLVED that all regular meetings of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel shall be held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, commencing Wednesday, January 6, 2010, at the Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York at 7:00 PM with the exception of the regular meetings on April 7, 2010 and August 4, 2010 which shall be held at 7:00 PM in the hamlet of Carmel at the Carmel Firehouse, Vink Drive, Carmel, NY;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all work sessions of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel shall be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month commencing Wednesday, January 13, 2010, with the exception of the month of November when a work session will be held on the fourth Tuesday, November 23, 2010 instead of the fourth Wednesday, November 24, 2010 and the month of December when no meeting shall be held on the fourth and fifth Wednesday. All work sessions shall be held at the Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York at 7:00 PM.

Resolution
Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough
Seconded by: Councilmen DiCarlo and Ravallo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

Supervisor Schmitt explained the meeting date at the Carmel Firehouse had to be changed due to the fact that the firehouse was not available on March 17, 2010 as was stated in the previous resolution.

ISSUANCE OF LICENSES FOR THE COLLECTION OF REFUSE AND GARBAGE TO A.C. CARTING, INC., F & H SANITATION, INC., AND MID-HUDSON WASTE, INC. – AUTHORIZED

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, upon review of the application of A.C. Carting Inc, dated November 17, 2008, F&H Sanitation, Inc, dated September 10, 2009, and Mid-Hudson Waste, Inc., dated September 22, 2009, hereby authorizes the issuance of the following licenses for the collection of refuse and garbage within the Town of Carmel pursuant to Chapter 95, Article III of the Town Code of the Town of Carmel to:

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>LICENSE PERIOD</u>
A.C. Carting, Inc.	3 Trolley Road, Cortland Manor, NY	1/21/2010–1/20/2011
F & H Sanitation, Inc.	307 White St., Danbury, CT	9/18/2009 -9/17/2010
Mid-Hudson Waste, Inc	PO Box 888, Mahopac, NY	9/21/2009 -9/20/2010

Resolution
Offered by: Councilman Lombardi
Seconded by: Councilman Ravallo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BOARD – REAPPOINTMENT OF RICHARD FRANZETTI AS CHAIRMAN FOR YEAR 2010

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby reappoints Richard Franzetti as Chairman of the Environmental Conservation Board for the year 2010.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman DiCarlo
Seconded by: Councilman Lombardi

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION AND EXPENDITURE OF MONIES TO BE PAID TO CAMION ASSOCIATES OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY FOR CONSULTING SERVICES RELATED TO TOWN OF CARMEL EMPIRE ZONE - AUTHORIZED AND PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS DATED APRIL 1, 2009 AND JUNE 17, 2009 - AMENDED

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby amends it prior resolutions dated April 1, 2009 and June 17, 2009 and authorizes additional allocation and expenditure of monies to be paid to Camoin Associates of Saratoga Springs, NY for consulting services related to the Town of Carmel Empire Zone application at a total additional cost not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Ravallo
Seconded by: Councilman DiCarlo

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Ravallo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Frank Lombardi	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Anthony DiCarlo	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

Prior to the roll call vote Councilman Ravallo commented on the progress done regarding the Empire Zone located on the western and eastern ends of Route Six. He explained the purpose is to attract commercial projects to help the tax base which would be a good thing for the town.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

Joyce Lambert thanked Councilman Ravallo for questioning the release of the inspection fees in regards to tax map #55.6-1-49. She also suggested that resolutions show dollar amounts so the public can get an idea of possible costs to the town especially during these difficult financial times. She stated that the taxpayers cannot sustain a 7% increase with the inflation rate at 2.72 in December. Mrs. Lambert pointed out that the value of homes had decreased in 2009 and that in the last 14 months there were 260 pre-foreclosures.

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Marc Pekowsky questioned if Camoin Associates were hired to “shepherd” the town through the process regarding the Empire Zone application.

Councilman Ravallo confirmed that was correct.

Mr. Pekowsky asked which parcels were part of the proposed zone and if the site for the Union Place project was part of it.

Councilman Ravallo described the area on both the eastern and western ends of Route Six slated to be part of the Empire Zone.

Mr. Pekowsky asked if there is currently a moratorium by the state on Empire Zones due to problems.

Councilman Ravallo stated that they were racing against the clock as he knew the state was modifying the process or possibly not granting anymore. He also stated that he believes we have achieved preliminary approval and have beaten the dead line.

Mr. Pekowsky inquired as to the purpose of creating the zone, He wanted to know if it was to attract new businesses or for projects already proposed.

Councilman Ravallo asked if he was referring to the Union Place project and went on to say that the Union Place Project was in the very early stages and it was still unknown what was going to be in either end of the zone.

Mr. Pekowsky and Councilman Ravallo further discussed the Empire Zone.

David Gagliardi of Mahopac asked if the Empire Zone Application was already accepted and if the application has to go to New York State

Councilman Ravallo responded that there has only been preliminary approval and that it is not a “done deal” yet. He also explained that the application does have to go to New York State.

Mr. Gagliardi questioned the return of the inspection fee referred to in agenda item #11.

Greg Folchetti explained the fee amount is arrived at by using a formula and that there had not been any inspections done yet for this project.

Mr. Gagliardi inquired as to what the fee is for the carting licenses.

Supervisor Schmitt told him the fee is \$1,500.00.

Councilwoman McDonough addressed Mr. Gagliardi’s previous question regarding the return of the inspection fee and explained that the subject had been discussed at a previous Town Board work session.

Councilman DiCarlo pointed out issues regarding the Empire Zone and tax incentives for New York State. A brief discussion ensued between members of the public and the town board members.

RECOGNITION OF TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

Supervisor Schmitt announced that a local resident made an anonymous donation of \$20,000.00 to the Town of Carmel Police Department for the purchase of equipment. He thanked the individual on behalf of the Town of Carmel.

Supervisor Schmitt went over some statistics from the Building Department’s year end report. In total there were 909 permits issued from the Building Department in 2009.

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Supervisor Schmitt announced that there were vacancies on the following boards: Environmental Conservation Board, Board of Assessment Review, Architectural Review Board, Planning Board, Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals and the Cable TV Advisory Committee. He advised anyone interested to submit their application by Friday, January 22, 2010.

Supervisor Schmitt also announced there will be a meeting of the Hope Forum on January 21, 2010 at Lakeview Elementary School at 7PM. Supervisor Schmitt spoke about the purpose of the Hope Forum and the need of our community to reduce or eliminate alcohol and drug related deaths of our young people.

All agenda items having been addressed, on motion by Councilman DiCarlo, seconded by Councilman Lombardi, with all members present and in agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. to the scheduled Executive Session to discuss personnel litigation updates and review board vacancies.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Bourges, Deputy Town Clerk