

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018 at 7:08 p.m. at Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York. Members of the Town Board present by roll call were: Councilman Barile, Councilman Schneider, Councilman Lupinacci, Councilwoman McDonough and Supervisor Schmitt.

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

**MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS HELD ON 4/25/18 AND 5/2/18 - ACCEPT AS SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN CLERK**

On motion by Councilwoman McDonough, seconded by Councilman Lupinacci, with all members of the Town Board present and voting “aye”, the minutes of the Town Board meetings held on April 25<sup>th</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018 were accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk.

**RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT MADE - MICHAEL MONGON - 5/16/2018 THROUGH 12/31/2020**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby appoints Michael Mongon to the Town of Carmel Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee for a term commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 2020.

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilman Schneider  
Seconded by: Councilman Barile, Councilman Lupinacci, Councilwoman McDonough and Supervisor Schmitt

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	X	
Jonathan Schneider	X	
John Lupinacci	X	
Suzanne McDonough	X	
Kenneth Schmitt	X	

Supervisor Schmitt spoke regarding Michael Mongon’s commitment to recreation and congratulated him on his appointment. Mr. Mongon in turn, thanked the Town Board for placing their confidence in him.

**RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT MADE - RAYMOND GALLAGHER - 5/16/2018 THROUGH 12/31/2020**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby appoints Raymond Gallagher to the Town of Carmel Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee for a term commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 2020.

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	X	
Jonathan Schneider	X	
John Lupinacci	X	
Suzanne McDonough	X	
Kenneth Schmitt	X	

Supervisor Schmitt welcomed highly qualified Raymond Gallagher to the Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee.

**RESOLUTION FROM 1/3/2018 AMENDED - DATES, TIME AND LOCATION OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS ESTABLISHED**

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 17, 2018, at Carmel Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York at 7:00 PM except in the month of July where there shall be a meeting on Tuesday, July 3, 2018, instead of Wednesday, July 4, 2018, and on Tuesday, November 20, 2018, instead of Wednesday, November 21, 2018, and

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 10, 2018, and the month of December when no work session meeting shall be held on the fourth Wednesday. All work sessions shall be held at Carmel Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York at 7:00 PM, with the exception of the second work session of each month which will hold a roundtable informal discussion beginning at 6:00 PM; and with the exception of the work session meeting which was held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in the hamlet of Carmel, at 7:00pm at the Carmel Firehouse, Vink Drive, Carmel, NY.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lupinacci  
Seconded by: Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Councilman Barile stated that the Town Board will hold additional roundtable informal discussions as well as meetings on the fifth Wednesdays of certain months if necessary.

**PUBLIC HEARING RESCHEDULED TO 6/20/2018 - PROPOSED LOCAL LAW ENACTING CHAPTER 140 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL, ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORAGE"**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the re-scheduling of a Public Hearing, to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day June, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter that evening as possible, on a Local Law enacting Chapter 140 of the Town Code of the Town of Carmel, entitled "Towing and Storage"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town Clerk Ann Spofford 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 Barile  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**PUBLIC HEARING RESCHEDULED TO 6/20/2018 - PROPOSED LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 89 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL, ENTITLED "FRESHWATER WETLANDS"**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the re-scheduling of a Public Hearing, to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter that evening as possible, on a Local Law amending Chapter 89 of the Town Code of the Town of Carmel, entitled "Freshwater Wetlands"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town Clerk Ann Spofford 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 Schneider  
Seconded by: Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**LAKE SECOR PARK DISTRICT - NEWSLETTER MAILING AUTHORIZED**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, acting as the Commissioners of the Lake Secor Park District, hereby authorizes the mailing of the Summer 2018 newsletter as prepared by the Lake Secor Park District Committee to all properties within the district and further directs that the cost thereof be charged as a district expense.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Supervisor Schmitt pointed out that the costs associated with the newsletter will be borne exclusively by the property owners in the Lake Secor Park District.

**LAKE SECOR PARK DISTRICT - RATES SET FOR 2018 SEASONAL EMPLOYEES**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, acting as the Commissioners of the Lake Secor Park District, hereby sets the following rates for Lifeguards in 2018.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Head Lifeguard	\$20.00/hr
Lifeguard	\$13.00/hr
Lifeguard	\$15.00/hr
Lifeguard	\$17.00/hr

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lupinacci  
Seconded by: Councilman Barile

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<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Supervisor Schmitt stated that the rates for the lifeguards are based on qualifications and years of service. He added that the costs associated with the lifeguards will be borne exclusively by the property owners in the Lake Secor Park District.

**LAKE CASSE PARK DISTRICT - NEWSLETTER MAILING AUTHORIZED**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, acting as the Commissioners of the Lake Casse Park District, hereby authorizes the mailing of the April 2018 newsletter as prepared by the Lake Casse Park District Committee to all properties within the district and further directs that the cost thereof be charged as a district expense.

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilman Barile  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Supervisor Schmitt pointed out that the costs associated with the newsletter as well as hiring seasonal employees will be borne exclusively by the property owners in the Lake Casse Park District.

**LAKE CASSE PARK DISTRICT - RATES SET FOR 2018 SEASONAL EMPLOYEES**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, acting as the Commissioners of the Lake Casse Park District, hereby sets the following rates for Lifeguards in 2018.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>RATE</u>
Lifeguard	\$16.00/hr
Lifeguard	\$14.00/hr
Lifeguard	\$13.00/hr
Gateguard	\$15.00/hr
Gateguard	\$13.00/hr

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilman Schneider  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**RECEIVER OF TAXES KATHLEEN KRAUS - PROPOSAL ACCEPTED FOR TAX COLLECTION SOFTWARE AND ENTRY INTO SOFTWARE LICENSING AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED - BUSINESS AUTOMATION SERVICES, INC.**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, upon the recommendation of Town of Carmel Receiver of Taxes Kathleen Kraus, hereby authorizes the entry into a software licensing agreement with Business Automation Services, Inc., Clifton Park, NY, for tax collection software at a first year cost not to exceed \$27,850.00 and an annual cost not to exceed \$5,100.00 thereafter for maintenance, support, and processing services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon presentation of insurance certificates in form as approved by the Town Counsel, the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign the referenced licensing agreement, in form as is on file in the office of the Town Supervisor.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough  
Seconded by: Councilman Schneider and Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Supervisor Schmitt stated that the new software will allow for greater efficiency in the Tax Receiver’s office. He acknowledged Receiver of Taxes Kathleen Kraus and Town Comptroller Mary Ann Maxwell for their efforts in connection with the matter.

**RECEIVER OF TAXES KATHLEEN KRAUS - PROPOSAL ACCEPTED AND ENTRY INTO PAYMENT PROCESSING AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED - FORTE PAYMENT SYSTEMS**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, upon the recommendation of Town of Carmel Receiver of Taxes Kathleen Kraus, hereby authorizes the entry into a payment processing agreement with Forte Payment Systems, Allen, TX, for tax collection payment processing, said agreement to be in form as is on file in the office of the Town Supervisor.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lupinacci  
Seconded by: Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COMMISSION OF TRAFFIC STUDIES WITHIN THE TOWN OF CARMEL AND RESCINDING PREVIOUS REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC STUDY - ADOPTED - AMENDED (AMENDED RESOLUTION FOLLOWS)**

**AMENDED 5/16/2018**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel has been advised by Lt. John R. Dearman, Jr. that the Putnam County Traffic Safety Board has recommended the investigation, study and remediation of certain traffic and road conditions within the Town of Carmel; and

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WHEREAS, the Town Board is further advised that the New York State Department of Transportation requires a resolution of support from the Town of Carmel to process said requests for investigation and study;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby supports the commission of a study by the New York State Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing no parking zones on U.S. Route Six in Mahopac between East Lake Boulevard and McMahon Place for a distance of thirty (30) feet on either side of each private entrance/exit to and from U.S. Route Six; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby rescinds its prior request for the New York State Department of Transportation commission a study of the intersection of U.S. Route Six and Crane Road for consideration of possible installation of a traffic control signal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Town Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt is hereby authorized to transmit a copy of this resolution to New York State Department of Transportation immediately.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Barile  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Upon adoption of the resolution, Supervisor Schmitt explained that establishing no parking zones on Route Six between East Lake Boulevard and McMahon Place for a distance of thirty (30) feet on either side of each private entrance/exit will improve the sight distance for motorists to safely exit the businesses along Route Six.

Councilwoman McDonough suggested that the resolution should have specifically defined the direction from East Lake Boulevard to McMahon Place. Discussion ensued and at the conclusion of which, Councilwoman McDonough offered a motion, as amended below, to reflect that the parking zones on Route Six will extend from East Lake Boulevard “westerly to” McMahon Place.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COMMISSION OF TRAFFIC STUDIES WITHIN THE TOWN OF CARMEL AND RESCINDING PREVIOUS REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC STUDY - ADOPTED**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel has been advised by Lt. John R. Dearman, Jr. that the Putnam County Traffic Safety Board has recommended the investigation, study and remediation of certain traffic and road conditions within the Town of Carmel; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is further advised that the New York State Department of Transportation requires a resolution of support from the Town of Carmel to process said requests for investigation and study;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby supports the commission of a study by the New York State Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing no parking zones on U.S. Route Six in Mahopac between East Lake Boulevard westerly to McMahon Place for a distance of thirty (30) feet on either side of each private entrance/exit to and from U.S. Route Six; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby rescinds its prior request for the New York State Department of Transportation commission a study of the intersection of U.S. Route Six and Crane Road for consideration of possible installation of a traffic control signal.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Town Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt is hereby authorized to transmit a copy of this resolution to the New York State Department of Transportation immediately.

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough  
Seconded by: Supervisor Schmitt

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - BID CONTRACT AWARDED UNDER NYS OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF BULK DIESEL FUEL - KOSCO HERITAGE, LLC**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, upon the recommendation of Town of Carmel Highway Superintendent Michael Simone, hereby authorizes the award of bid contract for purchase of bulk diesel fuel for the Town of Carmel Highway Department for the period of commencing immediately through August 30, 2018 from Kosco Heritage, LLC, under NYS Office of General Services Contract No. PC68021.

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilman Schneider  
Seconded by: Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - PAYMENT FOR EQUIPMENT REPAIR AUTHORIZED - PINE PLAINS TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT, INC. - \$11,908.38**

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, upon the recommendation of Town of Carmel Highway Superintendent Michael Simone, hereby authorizes payment to Pine Plains Tractor & Equipment, Inc., Pine Plains, NY for services rendered in connection with mower repairs in the amount of \$11,908.38, in accordance with the invoice dated April 30, 2018.

Resolution  
Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**SYCAMORE PARK AND PAUL A. CAMARDA PARK - PROPOSAL ACCEPTED AND ENTRY INTO AGREEMENTS FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS AUTHORIZED - COMMERCIAL INSTRUMENTS & ALARM SYSTEMS, INC.**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, upon the recommendation of Town of Carmel Director of Recreation and Parks James R. Gilchrist, hereby authorizes the acceptance of the proposal from Commercial Instruments & Alarm Systems, Inc., Fishkill, NY and the entry into agreements for the installation of video surveillance systems at Paul A. Camarda Park and Sycamore Park in accordance with the proposals dated April 30, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorized costs for each system shall be \$11,506.00 and \$9,227.00 respectively for the installation of the surveillance systems at Paul A. Camarda Park and Sycamore Park and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost of maintenance Option #1 under each of said proposals as an annual expense is hereby authorized as well; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt is authorized to sign all necessary documents required to effect the purchase on the terms authorized herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Town Comptroller Mary Ann Maxwell is hereby authorized to make any necessary budget modifications required to fund the purchase authorized hereunder.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lupinacci  
Seconded by: Councilman Barile

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**IMPROVEMENTS AT SYCAMORE PARK AUTHORIZED - PROPOSED EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT OF THOMAS MATTA**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, in connection with the proposed Eagle Scout project of Thomas Matta of Boy Scouts of America, hereby authorizes the performance of improvements at Sycamore Park in accordance with the memorandum and plans provided by Director of Recreation and Parks James R. Gilchrist as detailed in his memorandum to the Town Board dated May 4, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon presentation of insurance certificates for all vendors and contractors proposed to perform improvements in connection with this authorization in form acceptable to Town Counsel, the aforesaid work may be commenced.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Barile  
Seconded by: Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Supervisor Schmitt expressed his appreciation to Thomas Matta for selecting the installation of a gaga pit, a structure where a dodge ball type game is played, at Sycamore Park for his Eagle Scout project.



**IMPROVEMENTS AT VOLZ PARK AUTHORIZED - PROPOSED EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT OF MARIO TERMINE**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, in connection with the proposed Eagle Scout project of Mario Termine of Boy Scouts of America, hereby authorizes the performance of improvements at Volz Park in accordance with the memorandum and plans provided by Director of Recreation and Parks James R. Gilchrist as detailed in his memorandum to the Town Board dated May 4, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon presentation of insurance certificates for all vendors and contractors proposed to perform improvements in connection with this authorization in form acceptable to Town Counsel, the aforesaid work may be commenced.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Schneider  
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

Supervisor Schmitt expressed his appreciation to Mario Termine for proposing the restoration of the nature trails at Volz Park in Mahopac for his Eagle Scout project.

**BOND RELEASE AUTHORIZED - KIRKWOOD ESTATES, LLC - TM #64.7-1-21,31**

WHEREAS applications have been made by Kirkwood Estates, LLC for the total release of a bond posted in accordance with Chapter 131 and/or Chapter 156 of the Town Code regarding the property known and designated as Town of Carmel Tax Map #64.7-1-21,31 Kirkwood Estates; and

WHEREAS said applications have been reviewed by the Planning Board and the Office of the Town Engineer, both of which have recommended the release of said bond;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes the release of the bond referenced herein specifically Universal Bonding Insurance Company Bond# 500881 in the amount of \$103,495.00.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough  
Seconded by: Councilman Schneider and Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**CARMEL WATER DISTRICT #2 - PAYMENT FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS AUTHORIZED - ED KUCK EXCAVATING - \$9,074.36**

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, acting as Commissioners of Carmel Water District #2, and upon the recommendation of Town Engineer Richard J. Franzetti, PE , hereby authorizes payment to Ed Kuck Excavating, Carmel, NY the sum of \$9,074.36 for services rendered in connection with repair of a water leak in the vicinity of 22 Old Farm Road in the Carmel Water District #2 Distribution System and in accordance with the invoice dated April 6, 2018.

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Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lupinacci  
 Seconded by: Councilwoman McDonough

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**TAX MAP NOS. 44.18-1-4; 66-2-49; 44.18-1-2; 44.18-1-3; AND 44.9-1-8 TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS - PROPOSAL ACCEPTED FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES - GREYSTONE VALUATION GROUP, INC.**

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of Carmel has been advised by Town Assessor Glenn Droese that professional appraisal services will be required in the defense of certain tax certiorari proceedings currently pending in Supreme Court, Putnam County, concerning the real property located at Tax Map Nos. 44.18-1-4; 66-2-49; 44.18-1-2; 44.18-1-3; and 44.9-1-8, and

WHEREAS the Town Assessor has procured proposals from various professional real property appraisal services and has recommended acceptance of the proposals submitted by Greystone Valuation Group, Inc., Bedford, NY dated April 16, 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel in accordance with the recommendation of the Town Assessor hereby accepts the referenced proposal of Greystone Valuation Group, Inc. to prepare an preliminary report for said matters at cost not to exceed \$2,750 for each preliminary appraisal, an additional \$2,000 for full trial appraisal, as well and for trial testimony from Greystone Valuation Group, Inc. at a rate of \$1,400.00 per day if necessary all in accordance with the terms of the proposal referenced above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Town Comptroller Mary Ann Maxwell is hereby authorized to make any and all budget transfers or modifications necessary to fund the services authorized herein.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Barile  
 Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Michael Barile	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Jonathan Schneider	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
John Lupinacci	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Suzanne McDonough	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Kenneth Schmitt	<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

**LONG POND ROAD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - PAYMENT FOR RECORD OWNER AND LIEN SEARCHES AUTHORIZED - NTC ENTERPRISES, INC. - \$6,000.00**

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel hereby authorizes payment to NTC Enterprises, Inc., Carmel, NY in the amount of \$6,000.00 for record owner and lien searches provided in connection with the necessary conveyance and/or acquisition of real property for future dedication of roads within the Long Pond Road Improvement District, in accordance with the invoice dated January 8, 2018.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Schneider  
 Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

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Roll Call Vote		
Michael Barile	YES	NO
Jonathan Schneider	X	
John Lupinacci	X	
Suzanne McDonough	X	
Kenneth Schmitt	X	

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS**

No member of the public wished to comment at this time.

**TOWN BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS**

No member of the Town Board wished to comment at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - OPEN FORUM**

Jerry Ravnitzky, Mahopac, addressed a recent newspaper article about how children in neighboring North Salem’s schools were kept inside for recess recently because of the odor of natural gas from the Algonquin Gas Transmission. Mr. Ravnitzky provided the Town Board with copies of a resolution adopted by the towns of North Salem, Southeast and Somers which was drafted by the organization that he has been working with which requests that the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation enhance air quality standards for gas pipelines. Mr. Ravnitzky urged the Town Board to do the same. He also recommended that the Town Board participate in a webinar to be held on May 24, 2018 concerning the matter. Mr. Ravnitzky spoke regarding the health dangers of these fumes to children and fetuses as well as its effect on the climate.

Councilman Schneider asked Mr. Ravnitzky to provide the Town Board with the webinar access details and based upon the fact that the three neighboring towns adopted the resolution, expressed his support for considering it.

Supervisor Schmitt thanked Mr. Ravnitzky for providing the information.

Adam Panzer, Oslo Path, stated that for the third time in less than two months, his family has been displaced due to the weather related prolonged interruption of electrical service. Mr. Panzer stated that he is deeply troubled by the lack of transparency and communication on the part of New York State Electric and Gas (NYSEG) to their customers. He went on to ask the Town Board for their assistance in doing whatever is in their power to hold NYSEG and their parent company AVANGRID accountable so that residents may have a better ability to plan and act accordingly when these situations arise.

Supervisor Schmitt indicated that he was on the phone with representatives from NYSEG many times throughout the day with respect to how they are responding to this current power outage. He went on to express his extreme dissatisfaction with NYSEG’s lack of preparedness and responsiveness in connection with yesterday’s powerful storm.

Discussion ensued, at the conclusion of which Councilwoman McDonough suggested that the Town initiate a petition to the governor in an effort to hold NYSEG accountable.

Jean Hopper, Mahopac, stated that between the last storms and the current one, she has not seen NYSEG’s vehicles around Town and went on to comment on their lack of nonemergency tree and utility pole maintenance. Ms. Hopper expressed her support of Councilwoman McDonough’s suggestion to petition the governor.

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Noting that she had recently heard that the American Legion may be getting their restrooms restored at their Legion Hall on Buckshollow Road by June, Ms. Hopper inquired about the status of their ongoing sewer issue.

Supervisor Schmitt stated that he is hopeful that the construction will be completed sometime in June.

Legal Counsel Gregory Folchetti added that the Highway Department is prepared to construct their drainage facilities upon receipt of the consent form from the owner to enable the Town to do the work.

Ms. Hopper confirmed with Mr. Folchetti that the agreements are not finalized and discussion followed.

#### **TOWN BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - OPEN FORUM**

Councilwoman McDonough announced that the Department of Recreation and Parks 2018 Sunset Concert Series at the Mahopac Chamber Park will be starting soon and that "Music Fest" scheduled for May 19, 2018 at the Mahopac Chamber Park has been postponed.

Supervisor Schmitt announced that the Italian American Club of Mahopac is hosting "A Tribute to Elvis" featuring Pat Castaldo and All the Kings Men on May 18, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. with proceeds to benefit United for the Troops.

Supervisor Schmitt indicated his receipt of an email from NYSEG stating that they are making dry ice and bottled water available to municipalities to pick up and take back to their respective towns and villages. After discussion held, Supervisor Schmitt announced that the dry ice and bottled water will be available to residents commencing tomorrow at around 10:00 a.m.

Councilman Schneider invited residents to observe Memorial Day services to be held at the VFW Post Home in Carmel at 11:00 a.m. on May 27, 2018 as well as the Memorial Day Parade scheduled for May 28, 2018 beginning on Clark Place at 10:30 a.m. to honor the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

All agenda items having been addressed, on motion by Councilwoman McDonough, seconded by Councilman Lupinacci, with all Town Board members present and in agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Spofford, Town Clerk