

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

A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel was called to order by Supervisor Kenneth Schmitt on the 26th day of September 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 as well as for the Ferrieri family who continue to seek closure regarding brothers Raymond and Jesse who went missing nearly six months ago along the Idaho/Montana border.

Supervisor Schmitt announced that the Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. in Executive Session with commissioners of the Mahopac Volunteer Fire Department in regard to a contractual matter and litigation update, and for an update on the negotiations with respect to the proposed purchase of properties located at the intersection of Route 6 and Route 6N from Tompkins Mahopac Bank.

**PUBLIC HEARING HELD IN THE MATTER OF THE INCREASE AND
IMPROVEMENT OF FACILITIES OF CARMEL WATER DISTRICT NO. 9 IN THE
TOWN OF CARMEL, PUTNAM COUNTY, NY - ADDITIONAL \$567,200.00 BONDS**

Supervisor Schmitt asked the Town Clerk to read the following Notice of Public Hearing as published in the Town's daily newspaper:

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">TOWN OF CARMEL CARMEL WATER DISTRICT NO. 9</p> <p>NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, will meet at the Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, in Mahopac, New York, in said Town, on the 26th day of September, 2018, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Prevailing Time, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon a certain map, plan and report including an amended estimate of cost prepared in relation to the proposed increase and improvement of the facilities of the Carmel Water District No. 9 in the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, consisting of the reconstruction of water mains, including incidental improvements and expense in connection therewith. The new maximum estimated cost of the aforesaid increase and improvement of the facilities of the Carmel Water District No. 9 in the Town is \$1,450,000, consisting of an increase of \$567,200 for such improvements.</p> <p>Said capital project has been determined to be a "Type II Action" pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of En-</p>	<p>vironmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(2), and the implementation of which as proposed, as such it has been determined will not result in any significant adverse environmental impact. SEQRA compliance materials are on file in the office of the Town Clerk where they may be inspected during regular office hours.</p> <p>At said public hearing said Town Board will hear all persons interested in the subject matter thereof. The Town Board will make every effort to assure that the Public Hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.</p> <p>Dated: Mahopac, New York, September 13, 2018</p> <p>BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL, PUTNAM COUNTY, NEW YORK</p> <p>Ann Spafford Town Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3155986</p>
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With no one objecting to the public notice as read, Supervisor Schmitt opened the Public Hearing for public comment at 7:13 p.m. Approximately thirty (30) people were in attendance.

Stephen Laquidara with the Mahopac Hills Association in Carmel Water District #9 inquired about the proposed cost increase. He commented that the project was originally designed with 2,525 linear feet of piping at a cost of \$882,000.00 and was ready to go in 2017. Mr. Laquidara questioned why the project has increased to 3,500 linear feet and now contains a loop system which the district did not have before and he considered unnecessary.

Town of Carmel Consulting Engineer John E. Folchetti, P.E. clarified that the project was not ready in 2017 as the project was not permitted until the summer of 2018 when it was put out to bid. He explained that the original amount to be bonded was approximately \$882,000.00 for 2,550 linear feet of pipe and pointed out that if the loop was backed out of the project, the cost is still over the original amount bonded.

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Engineering Consultant Folchetti further explained that his cost estimate at the time was about \$165 per linear foot and that the number came in at nearly twice the amount because the contractors estimated that their production rate would not be the 100 feet per day that he estimated. They estimated their production rate somewhere between 50 and 60 feet per day.

Town Engineer Richard Franzetti, P.E. reiterated that \$882,000.00 was an estimate that was done as part of the map, plan and report for the project, and clarified that it was not an amount received in response to a bid.

Mr. Laquidara asked if the length of time required for the project at 50 linear feet per day is driving the cost up. He commented that with so much technology and machinery out there, they should be able to do more per day. Mr. Laquidara inquired if the pipes are ten feet long.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that the amount was the vendor's estimate and that the typical pipe length is 13 feet. He went on to explain that the three lowest bidders estimated their production at between 50 to 60 feet per day and if his estimate of 100 feet a day from the map, plan and report is divided by .55, it would be right at the construction bid.

Mr. Laquidara inquired about a contractor who could produce 80 linear feet per day.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that the three low bidders were at 60, 55 to 60 and 60 respectively.

Mr. Laquidara questioned if Putnam County will be paying a portion of the costs.

Councilman Schneider clarified that they will not be.

Mr. Laquidara confirmed with Engineering Consultant Folchetti that there was a decrease from \$27,900.00 to \$5,000.00 for the cost of the survey for the project and commented that a survey prepared in 2011 is identical to the one prepared for the project.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that they are not identical. He explained that the survey that was previously commissioned did not include the lower piece of Rockledge Road and welcomed Mr. Laquidara to visit his office to review the information. A discussion regarding the surveys ensued. Engineering Consultant Folchetti explained that the cost of the survey was decreased because he had estimated what it would take to survey the entire job. It turned out that it was not necessary to survey the entire job because an in-house survey was used that was not provided until two weeks after the proposal was developed. He added that not only was the road network incomplete, there were no existing water lines shown.

Mr. Laquidara confirmed that Engineering Consultant Folchetti walked the neighborhood and performed a mark-out of the project and that he would provide an as-built drawing of the entire system with the locations of the new valves, mains and service connections.

Mr. Laquidara commented that from one year to the next, something was put on the back burner and now the district has to borrow more money.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti indicated that it was not put on the back burner. He explained that an estimate was prepared in the spring of 2017. The Town acted on it and his contract was authorized in October of 2017. At that time he stated that it would take four months to deliver plans and specifications, it took him six and one half months.

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Mr. Laquidara confirmed with Engineering Consultant Folchetti that he will be overseeing the entire project and be providing an accurate account of what is being put in the ground and what is being taken out.

Mr. Laquidara noted that winter is approaching and commented that the sooner the project begins the better. Mr. Laquidara then addressed a house that is located where the loop is proposed that has not been hooked up and stated that the owner, Mrs. Schuler has been complaining about the water system for years.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that whatever decision is made with regard to the loop, no one is going to be left without water.

Philip Horowitz, 23 Vista Terrace, commented that the issue has been going on since 1997. He encouraged the Town Board to move forward with the project quickly because the increased costs that have been experienced since then will only get worse. Mr. Horowitz asked when the construction will commence.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that if the bond resolution is adopted tonight he will tell the low bidder to submit his bonds and insurance. A contract signing and a pre-construction meeting will be scheduled for the day that the estoppel period expires, which would be twenty days from its publication.

Councilman Barile anticipated that it would be the end of October.

Mr. Horowitz asked about the estimated time to completion.

Councilman Barile stated that depending on the weather, springtime.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti added that it will also depend on coordinating with the Highway Superintendent because there is going to be equipment and materials stockpiled on the roads at a time that they will need to be cleared of snow.

Mr. Horowitz confirmed with Engineering Consultant Folchetti that the construction will commence this year. He then asked if there will be new pavement on the roads in the spring.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that there will be pavement over the new trench and that when the roads are paved would be determined by the Highway Superintendent.

Mr. Horowitz directed his question to the Town Board.

Councilman Schneider stated that once the project is complete, the Town Board can make a request to pave the roads.

Councilman Lupinacci added that the Highway Superintendent has been holding that neighborhood up for paving in anticipation of this project. Discussion regarding the paving of the roads followed.

Mr. Horowitz asked if there will be any digging up to the houses.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti replied no. The services will go to the edge of the right-of-way. Basically to where the existing curb stands are now. If the curb stands and valves are shot, they will be replaced.

William Hines, 63 Highland View Road, Mahopac Hills Association board member, acknowledged the efforts of fellow board member Stephen Laquidara for providing information to the residents. He commented regarding the need for the roads in the area to be repaved. Mr. Hines went on to ask if there will be curbs or French drains installed.

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Engineering Consultant Folchetti replied that if there is existing curb that is damaged, it will get replaced. No new curbs will be built.

Mr. Hines stated that they have a few diversion curbs and have an issue with ponding on some of the roads now.

Councilman Lupinacci reiterated that this would be a Highway Department matter.

Mr. Hines asked if catch basins will be a part of the project.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti replied that it would just be the mains and the copper services.

Mr. Hines commented that these items should be part of the master plan for this neighborhood. He then inquired about the new estimated annual debt service cost per taxpayer.

Town Comptroller Mary Ann Maxwell explained that if the project is bonded at \$1,450,000 for 15 years, the cost would be \$760 annually. The cost would be \$622 for 20 years, and although it would probably not be considered the cost would be \$491 for 30 years.

Councilman Lupinacci addressed the decision to build the loop or not. He suggested that now may be the time to discuss it with the public.

Councilman Barile stated that it was designed and bid out as a loop.

Councilman Lupinacci pointed out that it is a unit bid and there are three scenarios where a loop is not needed. He then inquired about the location of the house referenced earlier by Mr. Laquidara and indicated that if it is located well into the loop it may make sense to install the loop to service the connection.

Mr. Laquidara stated that it was not that far into the loop, 45 to 50 feet.

Mr. Barile confirmed with Mr. Laquidara that the house is currently serviced by a line off of the main.

Mr. Laquidara commented that the right-of-ways in the neighborhood could be utilized to store materials and then when the project is completed, they should be cleaned out.

Supervisor Schmitt asked Town Comptroller Mary Ann Maxwell about the cost of the project without the loop. He acknowledged that the project was designed and bid out with a loop. However noted that it has yet to be determined whether it is critical and can be backed out of the project to achieve a savings for the taxpayers.

Ms. Maxwell clarified that with regard to the figures she provided earlier that the numbers were calculated for a home with an assessed value of \$320,000, the average assessment within the district. If an assessed value is higher, the payments would be higher. If it is lower, the payments would be lower. She explained that if the loop was removed, the approximate cost of the project would be \$1,285,000 and would cost homeowners with an assessed value of \$320,000, \$673 for 15 years or \$552 for 20 years. It would equate to a savings of \$90 per year for 15 years and about \$70 for 20 years.

Mr. Horowitz asked if the loop system would be considered a luxury.

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Engineering Consultant Folchetti explained that the district never had a loop in place and has been functioning without it. However, a loop provides a redundancy in the system. It affords an alternative route so that if there is a break on the low end of the system, the water tank and the balance of the system can continue to be fed without having to shut the system off. He stated that it is sound planning. It is not vital.

Councilman Lupinacci asked the water district's operator Joe Scollan from Bee and Jay Plumbing & Heating if there are benefits to the loop system and whether or not they had a preference.

Councilman Barile asked him if the water district can function adequately without the loop or is the loop necessary.

Mr. Scollan stated that the water district has been functioning properly since the system was removed from the surface water supply and went to groundwater wells back in the late 1990's. For the last twenty-five years the district has met the regulatory requirements. From an operational standpoint, a loop is beneficial. It allows the operator to maintain service flow if there is a break on the right hand side of the district as well as to the tank on Vista Terrace. Therefore the homeowners would not lose water. When breaks occur now, the district must be shut down at the Locust Hill pump station. Mr. Scollan concluded that the loop is a wish list item and not a necessity.

Mr. Horowitz expressed his support of the loop system. He commented that an additional \$80 to \$100 annually provides a guaranteed water supply and a backup. Mr. Horowitz inquired about the cost of having to install a loop in the future if breaks in the system arise.

Supervisor Schmitt reaffirmed that the loop is not necessary. He pointed out that there should not be breaks in a new system. However if there is, it takes about three to four hours to repair it. Discussion ensued regarding the average duration of a water main break.

Supervisor Schmitt commented that he is attempting to save the taxpayers money. Therefore if the loop is not necessary and that is what was stated, it should be backed out of the project. Discussion followed.

Lisa Laquidara urged the Town Board to consider that it may be \$800 annually for those residents with an assessed value of \$320,000. But those residents with an assessed value of twice the average assessed value will be paying \$1,600 annually.

Councilman Lupinacci indicated that the Town Board will make the decision with regard to a loop when they award the bid for the project.

Councilman Barile emphasized that the water district's operator did not consider the loop necessary and noted that removing the loop from the project could save the taxpayers over 10% of the cost.

Councilwoman McDonough reiterated Mr. Horowitz's question about the possibility of the need for a loop in the future to the engineering consultant and the water district operator.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti indicated he did not think anyone could answer that. Discussion followed.

Councilwoman McDonough maintained that it would have been beneficial to have had comments from other residents in Carmel Water District #9 weigh in on the issue.

Mr. Laquidara commented that there have been nine or ten new families moving into the neighborhood that right now are struggling. He expressed his support for keeping the costs down.

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Supervisor Schmitt commented that the Town Board has the fiduciary responsibility to save the taxpayers money and it is obvious that they can in this instance.

Mr. Laquidara spoke regarding the issue that some houses in the district must invest in a reducer because they experience too much pressure in the system.

Councilman Schneider stated that for a 13% increase, the water district can have redundancy in the system with the loop. He reasoned that if it were a computer or network system, the cost would be very small because 100% uptime is essential. However, the four to six hours that the residents may be without water during a break in the system may not be worth the extra 13%. Councilman Schneider further reasoned that if there is concern with regard to the possibility of ground movement and breaks in ten years or so, a 13% cost increase may be palatable. He indicated that additional information is needed as to what can be expected from the system once installed and when deterioration may be expected.

Legal Counsel Gregory Folchetti explained that if the Town Board authorizes the borrowing tonight, and if they are inclined to do so, when they award the contract they will provide a directive as to build the project as is written in the contract and the bid documents or eliminate units.

Councilman Lupinacci confirmed that the contract award will involve a separate Town Board resolution in the future.

Councilman Schneider asked the water district's operator and the engineering consultant to write a summary in regard to the questions he posed before he makes a decision on the project. He stated that he supports the additional bonding being considered tonight but would support reducing the scope of the project in the future if it is not going to be worth the additional cost for the loop system.

Michael Celestino clarified with regard to redundancy, that if there is a break, the operator can shut off part of the system and that part of the system would continue. However, some residents will still be inconvenienced without water even if a loop system is installed.

Mr. Laquidara commented that if there needed to be water circulated through a loop system, that an above ground hose could be utilized to flow water from the blow out on one end to the blow out on the other end to connect the systems.

Engineering Consultant Folchetti stated that it depends on who is doing the repair.

With no one else present wishing to be heard on the subject of the Public Hearing, on motion by Councilwoman McDonough, seconded by Councilman Lupinacci, with all members of the Town Board present and in agreement, the Public Hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m.

PUBLIC INTEREST ORDER IN THE MATTER OF THE INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES OF CARMEL WATER DISTRICT NO. 9

WHEREAS, by Order dated June 28, 2017, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, authorized an increase and improvement of the facilities of Water District No. 9, consisting of the reconstruction of water mains, including incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$882,800; and

WHEREAS, by Order dated September 12, 2018, said Town Board called a public hearing on the question of the increase in the maximum estimated cost of said project from \$882,800 to \$1,450,000, an increase of \$567,200; and

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WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly published and posted in the manner and within the time provided by law and such public hearing was duly held at the time and place specified in said notice at which all persons interested in the subject matter thereof were duly heard; and

WHEREAS, said Town Board has duly considered the evidence given at said public hearing; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

ORDERED, by the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Upon the evidence given at the aforesaid public hearing, it is hereby found and determined that it is necessary and in the public interest to increase and improve the facilities of Water District No. 9, in the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, in the manner described in the preambles hereof, at a new maximum estimated cost of \$1,450,000, and said increase and improvement is hereby authorized and approved.

Section 2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Schneider
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci and 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>

CARMEL WATER DISTRICT NO. 9 - ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL \$567,200.00 BONDS OF THE TOWN OF CARMEL, PUTNAM COUNTY, NEW YORK AUTHORIZED TO PAY THE COST OF THE INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES - OFFERED AS PARAPHRASED AND PRE-FILED

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, on June 28, 2017, duly adopted a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of \$882,800 serial bonds of said Town to pay the cost of the increase and improvement of Water District No. 9, in and for the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, consisting of the reconstruction of water mains, including incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, and

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described, as proposed, has been determined to be a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(2) of the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which as such will not have any significant adverse effects on the environment; and

WHEREAS, it has now been determined that the maximum estimated cost of such specific object or purpose is \$1,450,000, an increase of \$567,200 over that previously authorized; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the issuance of an additional \$567,200 bonds of said Town for such specific object or purpose to pay a portion of the cost thereof; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength of the Town Board of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. For the specific object or purpose of paying additional costs of the increase and improvement of Water District No. 9, in and for said Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, consisting of the reconstruction of water mains, including incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, there are hereby authorized to be issued an additional \$567,200 bonds of the Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

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Section 2. It is hereby determined that the maximum estimated cost of such specific object or purpose is now determined to be \$1,450,000, and that the plan for the financing thereof is as follows:

- a) by the issuance of the \$882,800 bonds of said Town authorized to be issued pursuant to bond resolution dated and duly adopted June 28, 2017; and
- b) by the issuance of the additional \$567,200 bonds of said Town authorized to be issued pursuant to this bond resolution.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is forty years, pursuant to subdivision 1 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, calculated from the date of issuance of the first obligations for said specific object or purpose.

Section 4. The faith and credit of said Town of Carmel, Putnam County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. To the extent not paid from monies raised from said Water District No. 9 in the manner provided by law, there shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said Town, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Supervisor, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as he shall deem best for the interests of said Town; including, but not limited to, the power to sell said bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, he shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Supervisor shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 7. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the serial bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue serial bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of such Town. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 8. The Supervisor is hereby further authorized, in such officer's discretion, to execute a project finance and/or loan agreement, and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Health and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, including amendments thereto, and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the object or purpose described in Section 1 hereof, or a portion thereof, by a bond, and/or note issue of said Town in the event of the sale of same to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

Section 9. The power to issue and sell notes to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation pursuant to Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law is hereby delegated to the Supervisor. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be prescribed by said Supervisor consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

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Section 10. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 - 2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 12. This resolution, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary form in the official newspaper, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilwoman McDonough
Seconded by: Councilman Schneider

<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>

Prior to the roll call vote, Councilman Barile expressed his extreme dissatisfaction as to the way this process was handled, indicating that the original estimate by professional engineers being off by 40% was unacceptable. He commented that the time wasted cost the people of this district a lot of money and that the main reason why they are paying this much money for the water system is that for the last five years, we have not been able to bid out all of the work. Councilman Barile commented that he would reluctantly vote yes for the benefit of the residents but felt that one third of the money was wasted.

Supervisor Schmitt stated that he concurred with the sentiments of Councilman Barile. He added that with regard to certain aspects of the project, the Town Engineer and the Consulting Engineer were not working together as the Town Engineer wasn't even aware that there were changes made to the bid specifications for this project. He concluded that it was a problem that he hoped has been resolved and is not going to happen again.

ADJOURNMENT

All agenda items having been addressed, on motion by Councilman Schneider, seconded by Councilman Lupinacci, with all Town Board members present and in agreement, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. to the scheduled Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Spofford, Town Clerk