

**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 11th day of December 2013 at 7:12 p.m. at Town Hall, 60 McAlpin Avenue, Mahopac, New York. Members of the Town Board present by roll call were: Councilman Lupinacci, Councilwoman McDonough, Councilman Lombardi and Supervisor Schmitt. Councilman Schneider was absent.

Supervisor Schmitt reflected on the recent passing of Frank Horvath III, 64, long-time Town of Carmel resident, business owner and Vietnam Veteran. He then dedicated the meeting in memory of Mr. Horvath. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was observed and a moment of silence was held to honor those serving in the United States Armed Forces.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - SECTION 375-I(P) OF THE NEW YORK STATE RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY LAW ADOPTED AND FILING OF RESOLUTION WITH THE NEW YORK STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AUTHORIZED

WHEREFORE, on December 11, 2013, the Town Board for the Town of Carmel ("Town Board) hereby adopts via resolution the benefits prescribed under New York State & Local Retirement System's ("NYS Retirement System") Section 375-i(P), as set forth under New York State Retirement and Social Security Law, Article 11, Section 442(b)(3) ("Section 375-i(P)").

WHEREFORE the Town of Carmel seeks to offer members of the Town of Carmel Police Department the benefits provided under Section 375-i(P) at the time of their retirement; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, effectively immediately, the Town of Carmel shall take all necessary steps for implementation of the benefits set forth in Section 375-i(P) including the filing of this Resolution with the NYS Retirement System in anticipation of the Retirement System's approval of such filing.

Resolution

Offered by: Councilman Lombardi
Seconded by: Councilman Lupinacci

<u>Roll Call Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	
Jonathan Schneider	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Absent
John Lupinacci	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	
Suzanne McDonough	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	
Frank Lombardi	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	
Kenneth Schmitt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	

Councilman Lombardi explained that adopting the New York State & Local Retirement System's ("NYS Retirement System") Section 375-i(P) will provide an early retirement incentive that will benefit the participating individual as well as the Town by removing the eligible employee's high salary and benefits from the payroll.

Supervisor Schmitt added that the retiring employee must have 32 years of service in the Police Department and be at least 55 years old. He pointed out that the retiring senior officers will be replaced with new hires at a significantly less starting salary.

ADJOURNMENT

All agenda items having been addressed, on motion by Councilman Lombardi, seconded by Councilman Lupinacci, with all Town Board members present in agreement, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m. to the scheduled Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Spofford, Town Clerk