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MANHASSET BAY PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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TRANSCRIPTION OF
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

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September 17, 2020

7:30 O'Clock P.M.

PRESENT BY VIDEO CONFERENCE:

- Bob Keane - Chairman, Port Washington North
- Ray Herbert - Plandome
- Annie Mendelson - Great Neck
- Jill Monoson - Thomaston
- Steve Klyce - Bay View Colony - Port Washington
- Mike Malloy - Baxter Estates
- Jeff Siegel - Plandome Manor
- Jennifer Wilson-Pines - Manorhaven
- Sarah Deonarine - Director
- Kevin Braun - Town of North Hempstead - Planning
- Tom Devaney - Town of North Hempstead
- Kim Holak - Department of State

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MS. DEONARINE: So welcome to
the September 17th Manhasset Bay Protection
Committee meeting.

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Just as a reminder, we are holding
this public meeting over Zoom in accordance with
the Governor's Executive Order 202, that allows us
to have meetings virtually in light of the novel
Corona Virus.

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So a reminder that we are being
recorded and it will be transcribed, which is in
accordance with the Executive Order so I think even
though we don't have everyone here yet, we should
go around do introductions.

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Please say and spell your name
and, also, mention if you're a designating
representative and who you are representing.

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So I'll go first. I am Sarah
Deonarine, S-a-r-a-h, D-e-o-n-a-r-i-n-e. And I am
the Executive Director of Manhasset Bay Protection
Committee.

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CHAIR KEANE: And I am Bob Keane.
I am from Port Washington North. K-e-a-n-e. And I
am the Chairman.

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MR. HERBERT: I am Raymond
Herbert, H-e-r-b-e-r-t, representative from the
Village of Plandome.

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MS. MONOSON: I'm Jill Monoson,
M-o-n-o-s-o-n. And I'm the representative from the
Village of Thomaston.

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MR. MALLOY: I'm Michael Malloy,
the Village of Baxter Estates, M-a-l-l-o-y.

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MR. KLYCE: I'm Steve Klyce. I'm
a guest. I'm not a member but I'm a member of the
Town of North Hempstead Waterfront Advisory
Committee and I like to stay in touch with groups
like this.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: I'm Jennifer
Wilson-Pines, W-i-l-s-o-n hyphen P-i-n-e-s,
representative for the Village of Manorhaven.

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MR. BRAUN: I guess me next. I
can't hear. I can't see you guys. So this is
Kevin Braun, B-r-a-u-n, with the Planning
Department, North Hempstead.

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MS. HOLAK: And this Irene Holak,
H-o-l-a-k, with the Department of State.
I'm also the program -- for the
project manager for this contract.

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CHAIR KEANE: Get Annie too.

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She's trying to connect to audio.

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MR. DEVANEY: And this is Tom

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Devaney, with the Town of North Hempstead and the

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grants, D-e-v-a-n-e-y.

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MS. DEONARINE: Thank you.

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CHAIR KEANE: We saw Annie

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Mendelson, who is from Great Neck, who's trying to

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connect to audio somehow. That's what that thing's

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showing me.

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FEMALE VOICE: Yeah.

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MS. DEONARINE: I see the same

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So in light of not currently

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having a quorum, we are going to just skip ahead to

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the discussion of our Water Quality Improvement

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Irene, I can't remember what we

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decided. Are you going to introduce it or --

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MS. HOLAK: Sure. I could. So

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this -- this grant is contract No. C1001335. It is

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considered Manhasset Bay Quality Improvement Plan

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And we recently had it executed so that's exciting for the community to get going on this. So I have the start date as February 1st, 2020 and the end date is January 31st, 2025.

The total award amount was \$166,677. And of that, the State has \$125,000 for funds available in match for the community -- or \$41,667. So that's the award and cost share for this particular project and our time line.

And I had read the project description but it's always fun and exciting to hear how projects develop. And I was wondering if you guys could share a little bit of the grant project history and background for my background in understanding how this project came to fruition but, also, to give me a little bit more background on this project.

MS. DEONARINE: Okay. So I can give some of the background and people who have been here longer can fill in.

So the committee was formed in the late '90s in an effort in realizing that it was better to work together to protect and restore Manhasset Bay than to do individual projects.

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So the first item that the committee went out for was a grant with the Department of State against the Water Quality Improvement Plan, which was published in 1999. Since then some of those projects have been done.

Also, a lot has changed. We now have the Phase 2 Stormwater Permit. There's more regulatory things going on. Some projects weren't completed and we still have bacteria issues in the Bay, which is what we are -- which is our containment of concern for the Bay is bacteria.

So I think moving forward we wanted another blueprint. It's been over 20 years, another idea what projects the committee can move forward on beyond just our public education and then trying to piecemeal little projects. We wanted a big, overarching, this is what we really need to focus on to get things done.

Also, we recognize that with a plan in place it will be easier to pursue funding and help us in getting projects done.

CHAIR KEANE: So let me just describe who the Manhasset Bay is. I mean, obviously, everyone knows but, you know, one town,

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2 was it 14 villages -- 13 villages that's around the
3 watershed. So, you know, it's an eclectic group
4 of, you know, different villages, different
5 ordinances, different things. But we're trying to
6 come together as one, you know, towards the common
7 goal of protecting the Bay.

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MS. DEONARINE: So, you know,
9 there's no one group that's in charge. It's
10 considered an equal partnership (Zoom inaudible)
11 and the Town of North Hempstead and 13 villages in
12 the watershed. Some of them don't even have
13 waterfront but they all contribute to the water
14 quality in Manhasset Bay.

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So there's no one voice for the
16 committee so if there's anything moving forward
17 that needs to be decided on, what I do the
18 day-to-day functions of the committee and we can
19 have meetings and we can talk about certain things.
20 And if there's anything that needs to be changed
21 that's substantial, we'll have to bring it before
22 the committee with a quorum of at least eight and
23 have them vote on it.

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Do you need any other --

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MS. HOLAK: No, that's it. That's

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2 good.

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4 Yeah, I think there's a lot of
5 water quality issues in the area so it's really
6 good and I'm happy to see that you guys are coming
7 together to work on this. So that's really good.

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9 So the other thing I wanted to go
10 over is just some of the contract tasks and
11 requirements in recording. And I think the best
12 way to do that is to just kind of go over the
13 contract. And I'm not sure if everyone has the
14 work plan in front of them but hopefully I can just
15 go through this clearly.

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17 So part of the -- the contract
18 is --

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20 CHAIR KEANE: I'm sorry, Irene,
21 just to pause for one second. But you want -- does
22 somebody have a copy that they want to share and
23 post and then if Steve wanted to like to talk
24 amongst the Zoom call, would that be helpful or it
25 doesn't matter?

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27 MS. HOLAK: Yeah, that would be
28 helpful.

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30 I don't have a digital copy with
31 me on hand. I'm actually not at home.

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MS. DEONARINE: I can bring that
up.

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MS. HOLAK: Okay.

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Thanks, Sarah.

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MS. DEONARINE: Now how do I share
it? I'll figure that out.

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FEMALE VOICE: Share. Start

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MS. DEONARINE: I'm the host now.

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Okay -- for the moment.

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Oh, screen share. Okay.

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CHAIR KEANE: Yes, screen share.

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Then it will ask you what window do you want to

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show and then you give either your whole window or

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whatever active window you have open. And it

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should share that and then we all get shrunk to the

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side or top.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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CHAIR KEANE: Oh, there you go.

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MS. DEONARINE: It's not showing

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me what -- all right. It's not showing me what

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you're looking at. Just to make sure your looking

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at -- does it say work plan and cover sheet at the

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CHAIR KEANE: Yes.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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All right.

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Is there a particular page you
want me to go to, Irene?

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MS. HOLAK: Yeah, no, just go to
the next page. Yeah.

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MS. DEONARINE: So things have
changed because the project manager is no longer
Kate Holger. That is switched over to you?

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MS. HOLAK: Yes. Right. And so
that's something that we are -- we could change but
it's in process. It's just going to take a little
bit of time to get that updated.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

MS. HOLAK: Yeah. So I actually
got this project after it was given to Kate. We
had reshuffling in our unit and I've been taking
over some Long Island projects and Kate has been
put on more North Country projects. So I was given
this project. But we could update that. That's
not a problem.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MS. HOLAK: Check on that.

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So the first section starts off with the project description of what this project will be. And I'm not going to go through that but essentially it's for the Water Quality Improvement Plan and it discusses the goal and essentially that's what we're going off of for the rest of tasks in the project.

The second section in a nutshell just discusses that if there's any printed material or some type of event publication or other sort, that some type of acknowledgement an attribution is given to the Department of State. So that italicized statement is what we're looking for. So you would just fill in what the document report map, sign, whatever it may be, so that it provides the attribution.

And if you scroll down --

MS. DEONARINE: I also -- just as an aside, I wanted to point out that the work plan elements that were appropriate are also included in the RFP -- so -- that we're sending out to hire a contractor. So the RFP is pretty much this work plan plus the format that says -- whatever the template said, Town of North Hempstead uses.

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MR. BRAUN: That's what it's
posted for.

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MS. DEONARINE: Yeah. And we'll
be voting on that tonight.

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MS. HOLAK: Great.

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MR. BRAUN: I'm sorry, Sarah, did
you say we're voting on the work plan tonight?

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MS. DEONARINE: No, we're voting
on the RFP tonight?

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MR. BRAUN: Oh, okay.

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MS. DEONARINE: The work plan's
already been voted on.

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MR. BRAUN: No, no, I figured. I
just didn't understand. Yeah.

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MS. HOLAK: Then if we scroll
down, it talks about compliance of procurement
requirements, which has been administered which
this basically says that an attorney or a legal
officer of a financial administrator of the
municipality is going to certify in writing that
the department -- to the department that applicable
provisions of the General Municipal Law were fully
complied with. And usually we have like a
procurement certification or some version that

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2 indicates that from the municipality.

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4 The next section is when we
5 discuss tasks of the project, this is the project
6 components. So this is the section 4 of the
7 contract.

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9 So task 1 is the project's initial
10 meeting, which we're holding right now. And the
11 way that this is set up is to allocate what the
12 task is and then there's a product that needs to
13 be submitted to the Department of State to
14 establish that that task has been completed. And
15 what we're looking for, all these tasks, and I
16 believe there's -- let's see --

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MS. DEONARINE: Twenty-four tasks.

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MS. HOLAK: Yeah, 24 tasks that
19 will need to be completed for this grant to be
20 considered completed and -- and finalized.

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22 So the first, I guess the way it's
23 set up is the initial project meeting, which we're
24 holding where we're discussing the grant, the
25 requirements and such. And then the product would
be a written summary outlining agreements or an
executive summary of what we discussed and the
outcomes of -- of the meeting, which usually could

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2 be, you know, summary or minutes of that, as long
3 as it discusses what the outcomes of the meeting
4 would be.

5 The next task is the Watershed
6 Advisory Committee. So all that we would require
7 is a list, a finalized list, of the members. In
8 this particular plan, there's an IMA, so Intra
9 Municipal Agreement, that would have to also be
10 sent to us to establish that tasks to be completed
11 and we understand that over time members change, so
12 we would just need an updated list if those do
13 change.

14 MS. DEONARINE: So we have
15 completed task 2; correct?

16 MS. HOLAK: Yes. We have those
17 saved and it's filed. And I don't have it in front
18 of me but I think I do have an Intra Municipal
19 Agreement and I think if not, I think that was sent
20 to me by Kate. So I believe I have that. But if
21 not, I could reach out.

22 MS. DEONARINE: All right.

23 Yep.

24 MS. HOLAK: And then the next task
25 is a procurement of consultants. So that kind of

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2 ties into the task for -- in 5, which all tie into,
3 you know, having an RFP, if it's published in a
4 local newspaper or on the New York Contract
5 Reporter or other means of publication, we would
6 just ask for a copy of that.

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8 Sometimes that's not applicable
9 for communities and if not, then we -- we don't
10 hold you accountable for that. So that may not be
11 applicable. In this case, I don't think it is.

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13 Task 4 and 5 is establishing an
14 RFP, which I have looked at, reviewed and gave
15 comment to and provided back to Sarah, I believe.

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17 And once that RFP is finalized, we
18 would just ask for a copy of that. And once the
19 contract and a consultant is secured, we would just
20 need the executed subcontract. And that's task 5.

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22 And generally, we kind of loop
23 those three or two tasks together because they're
24 kind of together and simultaneously -- I guess very
25 connected.

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27 Some communities have multiple
28 consultant or applicants so they usually send us
29 how they decided on the one that they had selected.
30 So we would just ask for that if that was

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2 applicable, it's not always. For this grant, I'm
3 not sure if that's applicable.

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5 The sixth task is the preparation
6 of a community outreach and participation plan. So
7 that would just be an outreach plan that would be
8 submitted for our review. We would provide
9 comments and then send them back and then this
10 would just be essentially that plan to complete
11 that task.

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13 And in this paragraph that
14 outlines what we're looking for and have agreed to
15 for -- for the plan with the purpose of enhancing
16 public understanding of the water planning project
17 and to encourage early and continued public
18 participation in selecting, designing and
19 implementing good management measures.

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21 And in this particular paragraph,
22 it does indicate a summary of each public outreach
23 session shall be made available in written form or
24 through other public appropriate means, such as
25 websites. So given the fact that we're in this
pandemic and a lot of meetings are held virtually,
if the meetings are posted on a website, you could
just send a website that allocates the dates and

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2 where we could find the recording. That's also
3 sufficient.

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5 And this is also tied into project
6 meetings. So every time there's a committee
7 meeting that's related to this project, or other
8 project meetings related to this particular
9 project, if there's a recording or minutes that are
10 posted on the website, that would be substantial.
11 If you were just to send that website to us and let
12 us know that there's been a meeting and here's the
13 minutes.

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14 I could obtain that and say that
15 are two are filed. That might also save time. I do
16 know that it's difficult sometimes to send
17 documents or other materials electronically and I
18 also have a drop box so that's also an option if we
19 want to share documents that way.

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20 But particularly for 6, we're just
21 looking for the outreach plan and meetings related
22 to that.

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23 So task 7 is the second project
24 meeting. So this would be held with folks from
25 the -- the Watershed Advisory Committee with the
consultant. So that particular meeting DOS is not

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2 necessarily required. I would be more than happy
3 just to come and attend. DOS would not have an
4 agenda per se. We would just be there for
5 questions or just being a participant. But for
6 this particular task, like all meetings, we would
7 just require minutes and summaries of the
8 agreements that have been reach from that -- from
9 that meeting.

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We also require subsequent
11 meetings, and I'm not sure if it's explicitly
12 stated in this particular project but we -- we do
13 like to see that this project and meetings
14 associated with this project to continue on. It
15 doesn't necessarily have to be a monthly basis but
16 when it's appropriate or when, you know, the
17 committee feels that it's appropriate to re-address
18 or meet, that would be sufficient just to send
19 minutes for that.

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I'm going to take a quick break
21 and ask if there's any questions. We've covered a
22 bit so far.

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MR. BRAUN: Yeah, Irene, this is
24 Kevin with the Planning Department.

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In regards to the -- the posting

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2 in Newsday or the Contract Reporter, we generally
3 just put it on our website as, you know, put it on
4 our website the RFP and that in the past was
5 approved to ahead so we didn't have to pay for the
6 fees of publishing in Newsday or anything like
7 that.

8 MS. HOLAK: So you would --

9 MR. BRAUN: Is that still
10 acceptable?

11 MS. HOLAK: -- just send the --
12 the website to where it's posted and we would --

13 MR. BRAUN: Right.

14 MS. HOLAK: -- we would say that.

15 MR. BRAUN: Right. So that's
16 acceptable?

17 MS. HOLAK: Yes.

18 MR. BRAUN: Okay.

19 MS. HOLAK: If it's posted
20 elsewhere, that's -- you could also send the
21 website too if it's shared. So, yeah, that's still
22 fine, Kevin.

23 MR. BRAUN: Thank you.

24 MR. HERBERT: It's Ray Herbert
25 from Plandome.

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Can you just give me the amount of
the award again, the total award -- grant?

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MS. HOLAK: So it's \$166,677. So
we break it off into match and State. So for
match, it's \$41,667 and the State funds is
\$125,000.

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MR. HERBERT: Okay. Great.

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Thank you very much.

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MS. HOLAK: Yep.

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MS. DEONARINE: Our match is made
up of like salary of myself and Kevin and some
other in the Town also are all volunteer hours. So
all the time you guys spend reviewing any documents
or in this meeting and there is some cash reporting
towards that also.

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MR. HERBERT: Okay.

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MS. HOLAK: Okay. So to continue
on. So task 8 is initial vision and watershed
goals.

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So what we're looking for is the
draft of the initial vision statement, goals and
objectives to be submitted to DOS. That could be,
you know, a PDF, a PowerPoint presentation that
allocates that slide, different versions so that we

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2 could see what the draft has been developed from
3 this project.

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5 And then task 9 goes into
6 description and assessment of the water bodies and
7 watershed resources. So this is going to be a
8 narrative of some kind that will highlight the --
9 there's many bullet points that are within that
10 section.

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12 So we would be looking at a
13 written assessment and description of some sorts
14 that would support and have included what these,
15 not all but a good portion of what's relevant, in
16 this bullet point list. And we would encourage and
17 really would like to see maps, tables, graphics
18 that would be included preferably in GIS format or
19 others acceptable with the Department of State.

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21 We do use Microsoft Office, Excel.
22 So if things are submitted in that format, we also
23 will be able to open that.

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25 So, again, this is more of a
written narrative.

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27 We will accept PDFs but any draft
28 it's a lot easier for our department to work in
29 Word. So if that's an option to provide something

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2 in a Word document that easier for us to do track
3 changes, but not necessarily required.

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5 Task 10 is the description and
6 assessment of the ability of local law and programs
7 to implement best management practices to protect
8 water quality. And this, again, has many
9 requirements that will assess, you know, strengths
10 and gaps and the ability to go forward to manage
11 pollution.

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13 There is an assessment management,
14 or assessment manual, that is listed in the work
15 plan that could be very helpful. So I would really
16 recommend looking at that document. And, again,
17 looking at the bullet points in submitting this
18 draft to the State.

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20 So we would like to see, and
21 again, a written narrative of this in -- in its
22 draft form and we will provide comments.

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24 Task 11 is the draft watershed
25 characterization report, which is essentially what
the product would be. So, again, we would just
require the result of that characterization report
and the description of what we're looking for in
there is in that paragraph, which includes maps and

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2 other data that describes physical, biological,
3 ecological conditions of lakes, rivers, streams,
4 wetlands and upland portions.

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6 Task 12 is the first public
7 participation outreach meeting. Again, given our
8 times, Zoom calls are more than likely, or some
9 type of virtual meeting, is more than likely what
10 will be happening. So we would just need some type
11 of summarization or an outline of what, you know,
12 decisions or agreements have come out of that
13 meeting including, you know, any presentations or
14 handouts that had been part of that presentation.

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15 You are more than welcome to send,
16 if it's listed on the website of a municipality,
17 you could send that to us and we could download the
18 presentation and handouts from that. But we still
19 would need some type of quick executive summary of
20 what was -- what was done and the outcomes of that.

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21 Task 13 is refinement of visions
22 and watershed goals. So, again, we would need some
23 type of narrative that is different from the
24 original draft that's sent to us that shows there
25 has been some refinement to the statement goals and
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And task 14 is the final watershed characterization report. Again, we're looking for some type of modification from the original draft that has been sent to us.

Task 15 is the watershed management recommendations to achieve goals and objectives. So this is broken up into A and B. So for this particular task, we might be looking at a little bit more for products.

So the first one looks at, for A, it looks like identifying and description of the management strategies and recommendations that are a part of this particular task, so we are looking at a number of regulatory programmatic actions and other projects. So the particular product for that would be some type of narrative, again, written description identifying some of these recommendations, strategies and other projects to basically improve water quality, habitat, protection and restoration.

So for this particular project, we would need both that product and the product of B. And B looks at fire typing, recommended projects and actions to keep maps. So we would just need to

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2 keep some type of list to achieve that task.

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4 15B, that would indicate what the
5 priorities are, including maps and photos.

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7 Are there any questions so far?

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11 MS. HOLAK: Okay.

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13 Task 16, would be the second
14 public participation outreach meeting. So that,
15 again, I'm assuming we'll be virtual because that
16 seems to be our -- more and more our new reality.

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18 Again, same thing. If there's a
19 website that has a presentation or handouts, you
20 can provide that website. We can download it or
21 you can submit it through an e-mail.

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23 And, again, we would need some
24 type of summary or minutes from that meeting.

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26 Task 17 is the watershed
27 management recommendation report. So for that,
28 again, we would need a narrative of that report.
29 For this particular task, we would have the draft.
30 So the initial draft of the report and we would
31 work with everyone that wants to be involved to
32 finalize that report. And once we have a finalized
33 report, that task will be completed.

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Task 18 looks -- oh, I skipped one. No, no. Task 18, implementation, strategy and schedule.

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So that, again, we're looking for a draft and final of the strategy and schedule report, including the information that is in with this paragraph. Again, there is a guidebook, Watershed Plans, Protecting and Restoring Water Quality on Watershed Planning, chapter 5.

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If there is difficulty in accessing that, I would be more than happy to provide that and share that with everyone also.

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So we'll be working with you to achieve the draft.

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We really would like to see a number of projects and goals and actions ranging from short term to long term; long term being five years or more, so a variety of components.

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So whatever's appropriate for the community as you all are more experts on this can delineate what is appropriate for the prioritizing the projects to come up with the implementations strategy and schedule.

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But I just wanted to point out, we

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2 would like to see diversity. So not just only
3 short term and only long term, but a mix.

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5 Task 19 is the draft watershed
6 management plan. So, again, this is kind of tying
7 everything together. We have an outline in here
8 that has more of a template of what we're looking
9 for.

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10 So we're looking for six main
11 sections. So an executive summary, introduction,
12 characterization, watershed management
13 recommendation, implementation strategy, monitoring
14 and tracking.

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15 So those six components will make
16 up the watershed management plan. And, again, once
17 we have a draft that will -- that will be
18 essentially the product for that task.

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19 And in following suit, once you
20 have a draft, you would need public input so test
21 20 is the third public participation outreach
22 meeting.

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23 I would love to be a part of that
24 or at least hear the public participation on that
25 one. But, again, we're not required -- DOS is not
required but, again, I just would be interested in

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2 that one.

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4 So, again, this one, like all the
5 other public participation, we would just need some
6 type of summary or minutes of that. If it's
7 easier, a website so we can download the
8 presentation or handout.

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10 And then we're slowly, after all
11 these tasks are done, we're slowing wrapping up the
12 contract.

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14 So 21 would the finalized
15 watershed management plan. And, again, we will
16 work with you to make that finalized. And that's
17 simply that product. So we would have a finalized
18 plan.

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20 So task 22, 23 and 24 wrap up
21 the project. Throughout the grant, we would like
22 to see the MWBE reporting. I'm not sure if
23 everyone -- I'm not sure, Sarah, do you know that
24 there's a New York Contract system? Are you
25 familiar with that?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes, I am.

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MS. HOLAK: Okay.

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MS. DEONARINE: I assume Tom

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Devaney is also.

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MR. DEVANEY: Yeah, I'm familiar
with that.

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MS. HOLAK: Great. So Tom's
there. So like most grants, we require quarterly
reporting for MWBE. That is something that we will
check on.

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And then 23 is the project status
reports. So that's only required twice. So
every -- semi annually. So every June 30th and
December 31st is when those project status reports
are to be submitted. Some communities will submit
it a little bit earlier, some a little bit later.

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If it's not submitted, you know,
around that time, contracts will be sending out
e-mails. It's important to keep up to date with
the project status reports. If there will be any
extensions or if the project is putting in a
payment request, the project status reports and the
MWBE reporting is looked at and considered to be up
to date and being followed through.

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MS. DEONARINE: Irene, I have a
question about that one.

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MS. HOLAK: Yes.

MS. DEONARINE: So if I was

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2 getting ready to do another status report, so I
3 don't have to do one for the end of September?

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MS. HOLAK: So if that is the
5 status report that you would like to be submitted
6 in December, that's fine. It's just we would
7 really like to see it done semi annually. Would
8 there be a reason why you're submitting it early?

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MS. DEONARINE: No, I just thought
10 I had to do it quarterly. And then what's the
11 review for the MWBE because nothing's changed since
12 our last quarterly report. Do I just send a report
13 that says that?

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MS. HOLAK: For the MWBE?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yeah, you would
16 just submit there hasn't been any updates.

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So the MWBE needs to be done
18 quarterly.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MS. HOLAK: I believe that's
21 March, June, September and December.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MS. HOLAK: And the project status
24 reports are June and December. And that way it
25 captures six months progression.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay. I have a question for the committee then.

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Do you -- for the committee members, do you want to approve those semi-annual project status reports or just see them once they're completed?

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MR. BRAUN: Sarah, so the committee doesn't necessarily look at the status reports. It's just a -- something that you provide the DOS to update the project. It's just simply what's going on. It's almost like just a description of activities. It doesn't need to be reviewed or, historically, the last 20 years I've been here, it hasn't been reviewed by the committees.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: I mean, the committee gets the meeting minutes in which you describe what happens, that's similar.

MS. DEONARINE: Yeah.

MR. BRAUN: But the actual status report is between the Town, you and the DOS.

MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

CHAIR KEANE: It doesn't need to

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2 be voted on is what you're saying?

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MR. BRAUN: Yes, it does not.

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CHAIR KEANE: Thank you.

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6 MS. DEONARINE: I'll just report
it out at the next committee meeting. Okay.

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8 MS. HOLAK: So the project status
report would need to follow the grant. So there's
9 a column that has the tasks. So they would need to
10 mirror and be the tasks in this work plan that
11 we've -- that we're reading.

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13 So on the project status report it
would need to say, task 23 project status report,
14 with -- with the dates, and if it's tentative or
15 actual. For actual, you'd need the actual date
16 that that task or meeting or draft had been
17 accomplished and then a description of what the
18 updates and what has been done.

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20 And then the last section is, what
has been submitted. So what has been submitted to
21 the Department of State, as Kevin is saying, we
22 would need, again, the products that are listed in
23 here that we've been going through.

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25 So to complete task 1, so this
kickoff meeting, we would need the minutes or

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2 summary of this meeting and the outcomes of that.

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4 For some of these it would be a
plan, for others it would be, you know,

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presentation or outreach.

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Does that make sense?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes. Yeah.

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9 MS. HOLAK: Okay. So 24 is the
final document. So we would need a final status
10 report that's indicated final status report. And
11 for it to be final, all the tasks would need to be
12 100 percent.

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14 We have another project summary
report that needs to be filled out. And then
15 there's measurable results that don't necessarily
16 are exactly in line with a lot of these projects
17 but they are closely in line. So that would need
18 to be submitted to kind of capture what the
19 outcomes or results of the project will be.

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21 And that -- and then the last
section is the project responsibilities, which I'm
22 not going to go over. Because we've essentially
23 gone over a lot of that.

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25 The other thing that would need to
be submitted is not necessarily part of this

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2 project, is the SEQRA or Environmental Review. So
3 we're not going to discuss that.

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5 But a payment request is
6 periodically -- will be submitted to the Department
7 of State. Periodically communities will do it
8 simultaneously with their MWBE reporting. Some
9 communities won't submit a payment request until,
10 you know, six months into a project or they'll just
11 do one every year.

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13 It is -- it's nice to do it on a
14 more quarterly or semiannually basis just to keep
15 up with parts and the payment requests will
16 indicate the project tasks that have been
17 completed, the time and what you're charging to the
18 State and the match.

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20 I'll just indicate that if you are
21 not submitting in a payment request the match, this
22 particular grant is 25/75. So 25 local match, 75
23 State match. So the payment requests that only
24 have State funds requested, will be reduced to 75
25 percent of what's being requested.

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27 So if, you know, you would like
28 to -- the State to pay \$50,000, you would need to
29 have match included in there to get that -- that

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2 whole payment. Does that make sense?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes.

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MS. HOLAK: Okay.

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6 Kevin, I can't remember -- or Tom,
7 I can't remember if you've had that conversation
8 but I wanted to state that as you're preparing a
9 payment request for the projects that we've been
10 working on?

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MR. BRAUN: Yes, we've made them.

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MS. HOLAK: Okay. Great.

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13 So that's essentially the contract
14 in a nutshell. I've done a lot of talking. I know
15 Sarah has indicated to me that she's the local
16 project coordinator.

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17 I wasn't sure if there's any
18 advisory committees or subcommittees that are
19 applicable. If not, that's fine. But at this time
20 I'm going to pass it along to Sarah.

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21 MR. BRAUN: Irene, one question
22 before you move on.

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MS. HOLAK: Sure.

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24 MR. BRAUN: For the sake of the
25 committee and Sarah being new to this process, in
terms of the recording of time, it's not going to

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2 be on a payable sheet. It's not going to be --
3 we're not billable hours period. So you keep track
4 of your own time. There's not going to be any
5 certification that's going to come from the Town,
6 that's going to tell your time or my time. That's
7 not how we do it here.

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9 So in just recording your time
10 just know you have to just record it yourself and
11 keep it available for possible audits later.

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13 Is that correct, Irene?

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15 MS. HOLAK: Yes. So there are
16 forms and attachments that go along with the
17 payment requests that should have been sent out
18 when the contract had been executed. And if not, I
19 can send those out. But like Tom's (sic) saying,
20 for every individual that's listed under salaries,
21 for instance in the budget, would need to have a
22 separate form for their hours. So you would need
23 to record your hours and have that on the sheet and
24 have -- have that be submitted.

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26 MR. BRAUN: Right. I was just
27 trying to make a distinction between us being able
28 to certify the hours via a third party. We're
29 going to record our time. The time is on the sheet

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2 that's provided but it's not like that we -- we
3 don't have certified payroll is what I'm trying to
4 clear up.

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MS. HOLAK: Right. Like you're
6 saying individual. So each individual that's
7 working on the project, need to record their own
8 hours and time. Right.

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MS. DEONARINE: And I send out,
10 whenever I send out anything for the committee to
11 review, I also send out the -- I can't remember
12 which attachment it is but it's for volunteer
13 services.

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MS. HOLAK: Right.

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And looking at volunteers, so
16 volunteer time -- community time, is at at \$15 an
17 hour rate. Donated professional services, which
18 would be by the professional engineer, so that
19 would be you, Robert, would be at a \$60 per hour
20 rate.

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So when you're allocating the
22 time, keep that into consideration. We have a
23 local match amount that's listed in the grant.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: Just one more

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2 question for Bob.

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4 Bob, you're going to provide
5 engineering services or are you just going to
6 review the volunteer?

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8 CHAIR KEANE: I don't know. I
9 mean, I --

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11 MS. HOLAK: It says to assist
12 reviewing RFA application and technical review of
13 the plan. So it's predominately just reviewing.
14 It just assisting with the review.

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16 MR. BRAUN: I mean, I guess we can
17 talk about this later, Bob, but I can put my
18 professional engineer, you would probably just be
19 an advisor. We can discuss this at another time.

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21 CHAIR KEANE: That's fine.

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23 MS. DEONARINE: So I see -- who's
24 using your iPhone -- who's using an iPhone?

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26 MS. HOLAK: I'm sorry. What's
27 that?

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29 MS. DEONARINE: So I'm trying to
30 establish if we have a quorum right now.

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32 FEMALE VOICE: Is it Mr. Seagull,
33 who was -- I think I saw hi come on using an
34 iPhone.

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MS. DEONARINE: No. So then the municipal representatives are the people you see on the Zoom conference right now plus a few extras.

I'm the local project coordinator and we'll be hiring a consultant. The municipal counsel is handled by the Town Attorney's office.

This is the overarching advisory committee, the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee but in order to review applications, I would like to form a subcommittee. That has to be moved by the Chair. The Chair, Bob, has to actually call for that.

And I think we have a quorum.

CHAIR KEANE: I sent a check to (inaudible) iPhone. No response yet.

MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

MR. BRAUN: Sarah, if I may make a suggestion.

MS. DEONARINE: Yes.

MR. BRAUN: At this point, I believe that Irene has gone through the project work plan, which is required to do at the first kickoff meeting. I don't know if we need her for any more of the -- the Manhasset Bay Protection

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2 Committee business.

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4 So if she would like, I think she
5 can go ahead and enjoy the rest of her night and
6 then we can do the business of the committee.

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7 MS. DEONARINE: Okay. Well,
8 there were two water quality improvement plan
9 motions on the -- on the agenda. Should we keep
10 Irene and Tom for that or --

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11 MR. BRAUN: She doesn't need to
12 be there for that.

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13 MS. DEONARINE: Okay. Tom, are
14 you there? Tom.

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15 MR. BRAUN: I think Tom's done for
16 this part of the kickoff meeting. He agrees?

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17 MR. DEVANEY: I definitely agree.

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18 (Laughter.)

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19 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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20 MR. BRAUN: Yeah, this is -- the
21 next couple of steps are just the nuts and bolts of
22 the committee. I mean, Irene's going to want the
23 meeting minutes. When you're done, you submit them
24 and then she's going to want basically the coming
25 together of a subcommittee for the watershed review
committee and you'll provide things to her and then

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2 that'll be another thing crossed off the list and
3 we can go from there.

4 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

5 MR. BRAUN: If (Zoom inaudible)
6 let me know.

7 MS. HOLAK: So, Kevin, do you
8 have the watershed advisory committee that was sent
9 over -- but in the minutes I would like to see the
10 result of the two motions.

11 So I'm okay ending and letting the
12 committee proceed.

13 So I appreciate everyone's time in
14 allowing me to have this part of the kickoff
15 meeting.

16 So with that, I will say good
17 night.

18 CHAIR KEANE: Good night.

19 MR. BRAUN: Good night.

20 MS. DEONARINE: Tom, I'll send
21 you the finalized board approval -- Town Board
22 approval.

23 MR. DEVANEY: All right

24 Sounds good.

25 Thank you very much.

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Good night, everyone.

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VOICES: Good night.

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Thanks.

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MS. DEONARINE: So my apologies, Bob, I realize we didn't discuss this before committee but I would recommend a subcommittee to review the application.

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Given the current status of the pandemic, not knowing when we may meet again it's probably good to just have it established now.

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CHAIR KEANE: That's fine.

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I mean, we sort of talked about this preliminarily; didn't we?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes.

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CHAIR KEANE: And who did we originally recommend?

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MS. DEONARINE: I don't think we recommended --

(Laughter.)

CHAIR KEANE: We found who fusion is. He's on mute.

MS. DEONARINE: And with that, we do have a quorum so we can move forward.

CHAIR KEANE: So why don't you

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2 just let the record reflect who's on the phone.

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MR. SIEGEL: Jeff -- Jeff Siegel.

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CHAIR KEANE: From?

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MR. SIEGEL: Good question.

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Plandome Manor.

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CHAIR KEANE: Thanks, Jeff.

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It's just we're -- we're recording

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the session so just for the transcription.

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Thank you.

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Okay. So going back to your

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question, Sarah -- or my question. Who did we

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originally recommend and do we need a motion to

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form a subcommittee.

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MS. DEONARINE: I think according

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to our IMA -- I didn't double check it but I think

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we do have to --

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MR. BRAUN: Yes, you should form

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the committee and have a motion to accept the

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committee.

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CHAIR KEANE: Right. My question

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was, was there a preliminary discussion as to who

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was going to be on that committee initially?

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MS. DEONARINE: No.

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CHAIR KEANE: No. Okay.

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Do we want to figure out who we
want to be on that committee?

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I think I might be.

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MS. DEONARINE: Yeah.

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CHAIR KEANE: Just so you can get
the extra match.

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FEMALE VOICE: Who's not here?

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(Laughter.)

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MS. DEONARINE: So obviously I'll
be on the subcommittee.

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MR. BRAUN: Well, you happen to be
the director. You get to be on the subcommittee.
You're the director.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: So just so you know,
when you do -- I'm definitely, I have to be on the
subcommittee. I should be. But just so you know,
you're going to submit names to DOS and it's not
surprisingly if they should say you should get some
other people for diversity. They've done that to
me before.

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And I mean diversity, not all --
not all public -- not all government officials or
government village -- village appointees. So just

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2 don't be -- don't be shocked by the fact that they
3 ask for different diversity.

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CHAIR KEANE: You're saying
5 somebody outside of the committee?

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MR. BRAUN: They have suggested at
7 times that I go out in the community. Like I -- I
8 had to pick up for one of the projects in Manhasset
9 Bay, I had to pick like P. W. Green and other
10 people to be on Baywalk committee.

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So I'm just saying, I don't know.
12 The DOS constantly -- seems to be in flux at times
13 as to what their -- what they want. But I'm just
14 trying to make sure you guys know that there may be
15 some adjustment in whoever you pick.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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CHAIR KEANE: Understood. But
18 that was also -- but yours was just a town specific
19 grant. Obviously we have a diverse group here now
20 represented by 13 villages. So maybe that will be
21 enough.

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MR. BRAUN: Okay. You can make
23 that -- you can make that argument. But once
24 again, the DOS decides and approves. So that's
25 what I'm trying to say.

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CHAIR KEANE: That's fine.

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So I guess we can get started with an initial subcommittee and if they want additional people, they'll let us know.

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MR. BRAUN: Right.

And I would also suggest you make the subcommittee small so it's workable.

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MS. DEONARINE: Should we get a third person?

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MR. BRAUN: You should probably get three -- you should probably get four. Four plus maybe.

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CHAIR KEANE: We're appointing two but -- everybody's got different people next to them.

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MS. DEONARINE: Yeah. Do I start volunteering people or is there anybody who wants to volunteer?

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MR. BRAUN: This is going to be a volunteer mission.

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CHAIR KEANE: Guess who's underneath me.

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(Laughter.)

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CHAIR KEANE: Jennifer.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: And I can
always be North Shore Audubon Society if they want
diversity.

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MS. DEONARINE: Definitely.

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CHAIR KEANE: So that's Kevin,
Jennifer, Bob and Sarah so far.

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MR. BRAUN: Maybe one more.

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CHAIR KEANE: Again, who else
isn't here right now?

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(Laughter.)

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MR. BRAUN: Yeah. Or, Sarah, they
can just submit their names if they don't feel
comfortable at this point or you can go ahead and
address them individually.

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MS. DEONARINE: So a community
member, Steve Klyce has become rather active.

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(Laughter.)

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MS. DEONARINE: So should we make
a motion for a preliminary subcommittee formed of
Bob, Kevin and Jennifer, the usual suspects.

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MR. BRAUN: I do think they're
going to ask for more but, yes, you can set it up
if you want to make a motion.

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So I guess, I'll make the motion

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2 of setting up a subcommittee for the watershed
3 improvement plan to reflect the names that Sarah
4 just mentioned.

5 CHAIR KEANE: Do we have a
6 second?

7 (No response.)

8 CHAIR KEANE: Jennifer.

9 MS. WILSON-PINES: Second.

10 CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

11 All those in favor?

12 (Chorus of "ayes.")

13 CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

14 Thank you.

15 So basically that's everyone.

16 Oppose?

17 (No response.)

18 CHAIR KEANE: There's none.

19 And abstentions?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIR KEANE: So that motion
22 carries.

23 Thank you.

24 MR. BRAUN: And like I said,
25 there may be adjustments if the DOS wants one or

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2 two more but you cross that bridge when you get
3 there.

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CHAIR KEANE: That's fine.

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MS. DEONARINE: Well, next is
6 approve the RFP. I didn't know if you wanted to
7 pull that up and go through it or --

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MR. BRAUN: Sarah, do you
9 definitely need approval for this tonight? And I
10 say this by prefacing the last couple of months for
11 me has been, as well for everybody, has been very
12 trying, trying to catch up with three months of
13 work.

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I'm okay if the committee wants to
15 go ahead and approve the RFP. But I -- I don't
16 know if you wanted to give -- I mean, if you've
17 received enough comments from DOS and the other
18 people then I'll say fine.

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CHAIR KEANE: I really haven't had
20 a chance to review it either. I've been totally
21 swamped.

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MR. BRAUN: Okay. Well, everybody
23 has been. This is a weird, weird time and like I
24 said, I had one of the biggest projects that I've
25 been working on in the Town, Roslyn Pond, and I

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2 haven't been able to focus on much of -- many other
3 things.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Well, you had
5 made a number of suggestions.

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes. I got
7 comments from Jennifer, DOS. Irene has --

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MR. BRAUN: Yes. She likes to
9 edit.

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CHAIR KEANE: It's just a matter
11 of being transcribed here. So --

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MS. DEONARINE: So it's up to the
13 committee.

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MR. BRAUN: Well, I'm going to
15 make one suggestion and then I'll be all right with
16 whatever the committee decides.

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Sarah, I would suggest you taking
18 out the -- the total fee can not exceed number
19 under attachment A. I don't know why you put that
20 in there but what my experience is, is that
21 contractors will not give you a complete, fair
22 price. They'd go right up to that number.

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And what happens is, you have
24 three or four contractors all at that number when
25 they could provide services a little cheaper.

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And I know Bob's in consulting and he probably would go right up to that number if he had to.

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CHAIR KEANE: I'm a contractor now.

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MR. BRAUN: What?

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CHAIR KEANE: I said, I'm a contractor now so I would definitely go to that number.

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MR. BRAUN: Exactly.

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MS. DEONARINE: But my experience has been, if you don't put out a number, the range is so wide and then if you end up going for the lowest bidder, it's no good.

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MR. BRAUN: Okay. That's up to you. But you're going to get -- but the real consultants that are going to be in play know how much these things cost. Like B&D the first one and they know it's going to be an upgrade of what they have there already.

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So it's up to you. It's just a suggestion. Take it or leave it. I, in all the RFPs that I have put out, do not give a number

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2 because it doesn't necessarily apply. I, you know,
3 they can do their research if they want to find out
4 how much the grant amounts were. That being said,
5 that doesn't -- that doesn't provide them the
6 complete picture because they don't get the match
7 requirements themselves.

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9 It's up to you. It's just a
10 suggestion. I don't put it in any of my grants --
11 I mean, in my RFPs.

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13 MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah, I mean,
14 they're all going to look up the award. That's for
15 sure.

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17 MR. BRAUN: You'd be surprised.
18 And like I said, the award doesn't
19 necessarily follow the format of providing matches.
20 So it can say there's a total award but they don't
21 know that \$40,000 is volunteer time coming from the
22 committee.

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24 MS. DEONARINE: Right. But it
25 gives them a ball park.

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27 MR. BRAUN: Right.

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29 MS. WILSON-PINES: Okay.

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31 MR. BRAUN: I hope at this point
32 they have a ball park. If they're any kind of good

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2 consultant, they do.

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4 MS. DEONARINE: But then I don't
5 know what we do if somebody comes in over that
6 amount?

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MR. BRAUN: They don't get it.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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All right.

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10 MR. BRAUN: Once again, this is
11 just a suggestion. It's just a suggestion. Take
12 it or leave it. I'll be all right. Tomorrow
13 morning I'll wake up and I'll still be fine.

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14 CHAIR KEANE: But is this an RFP
15 where it's just going to be a public RFP or are we
16 like short listing people?

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17 MR. BRAUN: Bob, we can have that
18 discussion off transcript.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

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20 MS. DEONARINE: The committee --
21 those members who are here now, are they
22 comfortable with approving the RFP or do you want
23 more time to review it?

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24 MS. WILSON-PINES: I've already
25 reviewed it -- so.

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CHAIR KEANE: Like I said, I have

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MS. WILSON-PINES: It's okay with me.

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CHAIR KEANE: If you feel comfortable with it, I mean, I'm like Kevin. I'm not going to lose sleep but I've just been totally bombarded with work.

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MS. DEONARINE: Would you be able to review it by October 15th. That's our next scheduled meeting?

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CHAIR KEANE: Yes.

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MR. BRAUN: And, Sarah, I'll even do you one better. I think you should be able to set a deadline for people to provide you comments in the next couple of weeks with the anticipation of approving it at the next meeting.

Like, if I had a little bit more time, I'm sorry I didn't get to it, once again, I apologize. Things have been weird. But if you provide me -- if you have a drop dead date with all comments received by now, if not it's going out. Then it's on me. It's my fault if I don't get there.

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MS. DEONARINE: So you're saying

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2 approve it now but any comments on it have to be
3 received by October 2nd or --

4 MR. BRAUN: No, next meeting is
5 October what?

6 MS. DEONARINE: Fifteenth.

7 MR. BRAUN: Yeah, I would say all
8 comments need to be in by the Friday of the first
9 week in October or something like that or forever
10 hold your peace.

11 MS. DEONARINE: Okay. And then
12 vote to approve on October 15th.

13 MR. BRAUN: Yes.

14 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

15 MR. BRAUN: If that's fair for
16 the rest of the committee?

17 MS. WILSON-PINES: Okay. I have
18 no problem with that as long as we get a marked up
19 version that shows the -- the changes that were
20 accepted.

21 MR. BRAUN: Yeah, none of this
22 Google stuff where it already tracks changes and
23 accepts.

24 MS. DEONARINE: Yeah. Okay. So
25 by October 8th and then hopefully I can turn it

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2 around by October 9th to send out for review over
3 the weekend before the next meeting.

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MR. BRAUN: You can do it earlier
5 if you want, Sarah. I mean, I'm okay with -- I
6 don't know what the first week in October -- I
7 don't have my calendar in front of me.

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MS. DEONARINE: So October 2nd is
9 a Friday. The first full week in October starts
10 October 4th and runs to the 10th.

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MR. BRAUN: Is it enough time for
12 you to turn it around if we provide you comments by
13 the 8th?

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MS. DEONARINE: Should be, yes.

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MR. BRAUN: Okay. So go with the
16 8th.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: And sending reminders
19 don't hurt either.

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(Laughter.)

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay. So that
22 motion is tabled for now.

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MR. BRAUN: Sounds good.

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MS. DEONARINE: All right.

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So now that we have a quorum.

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2 Let's go back up -- we need a motion -- we're
3 recording.

4 I need a motion to approve meeting
5 transcription by MGR Reporting.

6 MS. WILSON-PINES: So moved.

7 MS. DEONARINE: Do you think \$800
8 will be enough?

9 Okay. That was Jennifer?

10 MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah.

11 CHAIR KEANE: I guess just before
12 we make that move on that, I would also, you know,
13 Joe had mentioned something before, I don't know if
14 that's something that has to be done beforehand or
15 I don't know if that's something that we can send
16 them our audio file and they can transcribe it for
17 less but I think we can look at other options as
18 well besides the people who did it the last time.

19 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

20 MS. WILSON-PINES: I don't know
21 what the cost differential is. I didn't see that
22 when I was Googling. But --

23 CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

24 MS. WILSON-PINES: -- you might
25 want to reach out and find out.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay. I'm just saying if that something that was significantly less because it's a service that they're just providing, you know, as opposed to somebody different. It could be --

MS. DEONARINE: That might be complicated because the Town already has the contract with MGR.

CHAIR KEANE: Oh. Then never mind.

MS. WILSON-PINE: Forget.

CHAIR KEANE: Yeah. I don't want to go through the risk and all that legal mumbo jumbo. So forget what I just said then.

Then all those in favor of the motion to approve MGR for up to \$800.

(Chorus of "ayes.")

MS. DEONARINE: Wait. I didn't get a second.

CHAIR KEANE: Oh, sorry.

MS. WILSON-PINES: We need to get a second.

I'll second it.

CHAIR KEANE: Joe seconds it.

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And then all those in favor?

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(Chorus of "ayes.")

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CHAIR KEANE: All those oppose?

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(No response.)

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CHAIR KEANE: I see none.

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All those abstain?

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(No response.)

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CHAIR KEANE: So that motion

10 carries with everybody.

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So moving down the agenda then.

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MS. DEONARINE: Is approve the

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minutes.

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CHAIR KEANE: Has everybody had a

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chance to look at the minutes from April 23rd?

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So I have a question though, if we

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just approved the minutes -- if we say a motion for

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\$800 was the last transcription more than \$250?

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MS. DEONARINE: No, it was just

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under \$200.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

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MS. DEONARINE: But that was a

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very short meeting. This one --

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah, this --

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the DOS person was almost an hour. This is going

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2 to be a lot more.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

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5 Well, again, if -- well, that's
6 fine. I was going to say if this doesn't have to
7 be transcribed but -- I think she's saying we need
8 minutes of her meeting anyway for the thing. We
9 can submit a copy of that transcribed fee for part
of the match?

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MS. DEONARINE: I don't know.

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CHAIR KEANE: As an expense?

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13 MS. DEONARINE: Because we
14 said we were going to give \$10,000 -- so I don't
think -- possibly we can use it as a match.

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16 CHAIR KEANE: I'm just saying if
17 we need money, we might be able to use that as an
18 expense, if we transcribe the meeting for the --
19 for the grant and because of these circumstances
this is what it is.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay. I'll ask.

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22 CHAIR KEANE: I'm not saying a
23 reimbursable expense but our payment as a match,
24 you know what I mean, instead of your time, it
25 could be the expense of us that we paid for. I'm
just throwing it out there.

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So did everybody have a chance to read them? Does anyone want to make a motion to accept them or does anybody have any comments or corrections?

MR. HERBERT: I'll make a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 23rd, 2020.

CHAIR KEANE: Thank you, Ray.

Can I have a second?

MS. WILSON-PINES: Second.

MS. MENDELSON: Second.

CHAIR KEANE: I'll give it to Anne. She was the first hand.

MS. MENDELSON: Let Jennifer do it.

MS. WILSON-PINES: No, no. I just did one.

CHAIR KEANE: All right.

All those in favor of approving the minutes?

(Chorus of "ayes," with Mr. Braun abstaining from the vote.)

CHAIR KEANE: All those opposed?

MR. BRAUN: Town of North

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2 Hempstead abstains because I wasn't there.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay. The rules
4 but I don't know if it's necessary you abstain.

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So motion carries with one
6 abstention.

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MS. DEONARINE: All right.
8 The next one is -- I'm going to

9 need a new laptop. This one crashes regularly with
10 all these video conferences.

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In our grant application to the
12 Department of Environmental Conservation for the
13 water quality monitoring grant, we have down that
14 we would purchase a laptop for \$2,895. And we also
15 have the cost of a printer for \$750 and external
16 hard drive for \$250.

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So that's where the \$3,000 number
18 comes from -- for a new laptop.

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CHAIR KEANE: \$2,800 plus \$750
20 plus \$250?

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MS. DEONARINE: No, that just
22 from the cost of the laptop and then I'll come back
23 for the cost of a printer.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: That seems on
25 the high side. I've got to tell you, you can get a

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2 terabyte for 80 bucks.

3 CHAIR KEANE: You can get two
4 terabytes.

5 MS WILSON-PINES: Yeah.

6 (Laughter.)

7 MS. WILSON-PINES: Do you want to
8 make that a not to exceed. I mean, I just bought a
9 new printer and it cost me \$400 -- so.

10 MS. DEONARINE: Okay. So it's
11 just says the purchase of a new lap top. I wanted
12 to -- I'll leave in the associated accessories but
13 I didn't know if you wanted not to exceed \$3,000 or
14 if I should set the exact amount of \$2,895.

15 CHAIR KEANE: \$3,000 is fine.

16 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

17 CHAIR KEANE: I guess -- should we
18 see specs on that or do we need to see specs on
19 that? Does that matter?

20 FEMALE VOICE: What kind of
21 laptop is it? I'm just curious.

22 MS. DEONARINE: I haven't started
23 searching around yet. These are, you know, split
24 with the Town so I figured I'd go ahead and get the
25 approval and then go through the Town's system.

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FEMALE VOICE: Okay.

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MS. DEONARINE: But if you want to know more specs, we can table the motion also.

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CHAIR KEANE: Does anybody --

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MR. BRAUN: Well, I -- if we're talking -- I mean, we're still -- if we're still talking about the purchase of a laptop, then she, Sarah has a do not exceed of \$3,000 and approved at the last meeting minutes; right?

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MS. DEONARINE: No. I'm looking for approval tonight or to do nothing.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: I don't remember that last time.

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MR. BRAUN: I -- I -- okay. I'm comfortable allowing Sarah to get the tools she needs to do her job. And we can provide her, you know, a \$3,000 do not exceed limit or we can do something else. But I feel comfortable with Sarah going to get her stuff, whatever she needs to do to do her job. So I don't know if we have to table that.

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MS. DEONARINE: Great.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: No, I -- I think we can go ahead and vote on it. I'm just

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2 saying that the amounts for the printer and
3 external are -- exceed what I know is out there.

4 MR. BRAUN: And we would hope
5 that Sarah would understand that the money we're
6 providing from our dues should be spent well and
7 not, you know, she should get the right tools and
8 not overspend.

9 MS. WILSON-PINES: Right.

10 MS. DEONARINE: In theory, these
11 are reimbursable from the State also.

12 CHAIR KEANE: Yes. But get a
13 good computer.

14 MS. DEONARINE: The approved class
15 and DUAR.

16 MR. BRAUN: So I'm going to go
17 ahead and make that motion if that's okay, Chair.

18 CHAIR KEANE: Yes.

19 MR. BRAUN: I guess I made the
20 motion. Okay.

21 (Laughter.)

22 CHAIR KEANE: Well, you said I
23 want to make the motion. So the motion is on the
24 table for \$3,000 -- not to exceed \$3,000 for the
25 Executive Director to get a new laptop, as deemed

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2 needed. Correct.

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Do I have a second?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Laptop,

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printer and external; right?

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MS. DEONARINE: Just a laptop and

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accessories for now.

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CHAIR KEANE: Well, what do the

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accessories include then?

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MS. DEONARINE: I don't know. I

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just thought I'd put that in there to cover all my

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bases.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

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So does that motion still stand,

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Kevin?

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MR. BRAUN: Yeah, it still stands

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for me. It's \$3,000. It's not going to break the

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bank.

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CHAIR KEANE: No.

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MR. BRAUN: I think she should go

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and get the equipment she needs.

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CHAIR KEANE: Is there a second?

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MR. MALLOY: Second.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: I'll second it.

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CHAIR KEANE: I'll give it to

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2 Michael. He actually had his hand up first.

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All right.

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All in favor?

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(Chorus of "ayes.")

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CHAIR KEANE: Opposed?

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(No response.)

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CHAIR KEANE: Abstain?

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(No response.)

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CHAIR KEANE: That motion

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MS. DEONARINE: All right.

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For the purposes of transcription,

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the motion was to approve the purchase of a new

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laptop and associated accessories as needed for the

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Executive Director, not to exceed \$3,000.

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CHAIR KEANE: Yeah, that's what I

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said. Okay.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay. I had two

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things I wanted to add onto the agenda. We're

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getting kind of late so I'll try to end this

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But -- so moving forward with the

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beach cleanup that is an on your own type of thing

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and we've had some interest. I purchased the sun

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2 passes. I think it was around \$40. I had a budget
3 of \$110.

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5 So when people submit back their
6 waivers and their forms, I'm going to send out a
7 thank you in the way of stickers, reusable stickers
8 for the bottles. We also have those colored canvas
9 totes and -- and the fun passes.

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10 So the only cost that would be are
11 for mailing and I don't know how to estimate how
12 much the cost of mailing will be.

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13 So I'm not sure I need a motion
14 right now but since everybody's on board with that
15 plan; right? We kind of got electronic approval
16 for that.

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17 MS. WILSON-PINES: Are you going
18 to reach out to the Girl Scouts?

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19 MS. DEONARINE: I think I've
20 already sent them an e-mail. But I thought I'd
21 copy --

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22 MS. WILSON-PINES: Because I
23 haven't seen anything come through from the Girl
24 Scouts.

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25 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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CHAIR KEANE: Are there Boy

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2 Scouts or Cub Scouts or Webelos or whatever they
3 are?

4 MS. DEONARINE: The Cub Scout
5 group in Great Neck. I think they said they're
6 trying to locate a park for them to help and any
7 actions provided --

8 CHAIR KEANE: Is there anything on
9 the Port Washington side Boy Scout related?

10 MS. DEONARINE: I have not heard
11 yet back.

12 CHAIR KEANE: Okay. Do you have
13 a contact?

14 MS. DEONARINE: I sent it to Diane
15 and asked her to pass it along.

16 CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

17 MS. DEONARINE: She contacted the
18 Boy Scouts.

19 CHAIR KEANE: All right.

20 MS. DEONARINE: The next thing I
21 wanted to add on is I got a request for a sign-on
22 letter just today for -- so this is -- there has
23 been push before COVID for a \$3 million
24 environmental bond act but obviously that's not
25 going forward because the State will be billions of

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2 dollars in debt due to COVID. So the sign-on
3 letter is from the Nature Conservancy just asking
4 that the State not cut their Environmental
5 Protection funding.

6 So I might need approval for sign
7 on for that. So I didn't think to send a letter in
8 advance.

9 CHAIR KEANE: Are they asking to
10 not cut existing funds?

11 MS. DEONARINE: Not cut existing
12 funds. Yes. Which I don't even know if we can
13 legally but -- they're getting sign on from all
14 over.

15 CHAIR KEANE: I don't have any
16 problem. I don't know if anyone else has comments.

17 MR. BRAUN: This is Kevin from
18 North Hempstead. I don't have a problem with a
19 sign-on letter. If you want to provide the
20 committee with a copy to review, you can give them
21 a date to review it and look by and then if there's
22 no other comments received, you can send it out.

23 MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

24 MR. BRAUN: If that works for
25 everybody.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah, that's
fine.

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CHAIR KEANE: So do we need a
motion for that?

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MS. DEONARINE: I've gotten them
in the past.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay. Does
somebody want to -- hold on, before you make a
motion -- Kevin.

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What was the deadline that they
were looking to get this letter by?

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MS. DEONARINE: They want sign on
by next Friday, the 25th. So if I can get comments
by say, Thursday the 24th.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay.
That's how you frame the motion
then.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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CHAIR KEANE: Does somebody want
to make that motion?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: I make that
motion.

CHAIR KEANE: So basically the
Manhasset Bay Protection Committee agrees to

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2 writing a sign-on letter for the Nature Conservancy
3 to be sent out by the 25th and all comments
4 received up to the 24th and if there's no comments
5 received, the letter will just go out as prepared
6 by the Director.

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MR. BRAUN: Yeah. That all needs
to be in the motion.

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CHAIR KEANE: Well, I was just
kind of framing the motion.

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Jennifer made the motion. I was
just kind of re-framing it. So Jennifer, do you
approve what I just said as a motion?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah.

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CHAIR KEANE: Do we have a
second?

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MR. BRAUN: I'll second.

Kevin from Town of North

Hempstead.

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CHAIR KEANE: All right.

So all those in favor?

(Chorus of "ayes.")

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CHAIR KEANE: Anybody opposed?

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(No response.)

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CHAIR KEANE: Abstain.

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(No response.)

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CHAIR KEANE: That motion

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MS. DEONARINE: Given how late the

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meeting is, can we table the next discussion until

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our next meeting? Because I want to go through a

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bunch of updates.

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MR. BRAUN: Did you want to talk

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about the one item before the updates, the

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discussion of the committee provided oil absorbent

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booms. I can make that quick.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: No, the committee

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doesn't. It has in the past based upon a grant.

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so to speak. It's not the committee's duty to

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provide that. It was just part of the grant in the

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So to answer the question, no you don't have to. No, it's not required and it was done previously as part of a grant only.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah, it was a grant from, I'm trying to remember, maybe the American Boating Association or something like --

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MR. BRAUN: That sounds good.

MS. WILSON-PINES: -- that and it was fuel whistles and the kit for the Bay Constable.

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CHAIR KEANE: Yeah, I thought we got a second grant too, that we added that into -- I guess it was for a second batch.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah. We had more than -- we had more than one grant from them.

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CHAIR KEANE: So I think we're designed to get them out. We had extras so we gave them to the Bay Constable to give out as needed.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Well, no, we bought a professional package for the Bay Constable. There was a boom kit.

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MR. BRAUN: Yeah, but Jennifer, we also gave them to (inaudible) so he could distribute them because he had more contact with,

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2 you know --

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah.

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CHAIR KEANE: Yeah. The bilge

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MS. WILSON-PINES: The bilge

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socks. Yes, we did. But, I mean, the -- the kit,

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they actually had on the dock was -- was a

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particular item.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay. Does any

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committee members have thoughts against that or are

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you on board with that?

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MR. BRAUN: Has what against that?

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CHAIRMAN KEANE: Anybody disagree

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with you.

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MS. DEONARINE: Yeah.

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MR. BRAUN: Oh. Nobody's going

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to disagree with me.

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(Laughter.)

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Okay. I mean,

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we did it -- it was a Clean Water grant that we

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had.

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MR. BRAUN: Yeah.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: So it was not

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like out of the --

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CHAIR KEANE: The kinds of our hearts.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: The kindness of our hearts, yeah.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay.

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MS. DEONARINE: All right.

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Do you want updates?

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CHAIR KEANE: Yeah, very quickly. You said you wanted to pass on them but are they quick?

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MS. DEONARINE: No, I wanted to pass on that discussion about -- it was quick.

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So updates. We received the 2020 dues from everyone but Nassau County. But everybody else is --

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CHAIR KEANE: This is 2020 dues?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes.

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CHAIR KEANE: So we did receive Nassau County's 2019 dues?

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MS. DEONARINE: Yes.

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CHAIR KEANE: Okay. Just one more question about that. Did we submit whatever paperwork we had to for them or is that -- okay?

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MS. DEONARINE: So the committee is a member of the Waterfront Advisory Committee, the Town Board Waterfront Advisory Committee. And we will stay on as a committee member for that committee. But there's been a couple of meetings and I thought you guys would like updates from that.

One of them being that Steven Klyce is a new committee member on (inaudible) as the community representative.

So the Manorhaven Boat Ramp is -- dredging will begin October 1st. So that is, you know, Manorhaven Beach Park. So there will be a de-watering site within that parking lot so whatever dredge spoils are pulled out from the bottom will be put in the parking lot surrounded by hay bales and allowed to de-water for 90 days. So that parking lot space will be taken up through -- until the spring in Manorhaven. It takes about 90 days to -- and then it'll get shipped off Island.

The window for dredging starts October 1st and closes December 31st when all dredging will be done by the 31st.

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So that's exciting because right now the boat ramp is only accessible at high tide. So that's been long overdue.

And that is a FEMA reimbursable project.

Also, you know a culvert is silently being repaired and that is also FEMA reimbursable so that will -- well, first of all save the road and second, it will also allow for better water exchange between Manhasset Bay and the Town.

There is work moving towards dredging around Town docks. That is also FEMA reimbursable. However, there's an area that's outside the FEMA purview that includes -- I'm just going to pull up a map to show you. But the main purpose of it is to allow access to commercial sites on Manhasset Isle.

So in the future we may be asked by the Waterfront Advisory Committee to try and convince the Town to include the extra cost of the dredging in their capital plan -- future capital expenditure. So I wanted to give the committee a warning about that.

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It's not specifically water quality related but according to our IMA we are also concerned with the maritime nature of the Bay.

And, additionally, it's -- it doesn't dredged and those businesses go under, we could see water quality issues with various buildings and boats in that area.

MR. BRAUN: Dredging has always been a concern of the committee, as well as the other businesses. Some would say it is a water quality issue. Dredging has always been part of what the committee looked into in past -- past reports is a topic of concern.

MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

MR. BRAUN: In addition, I would just -- because I don't have access to the map, I would try to clarify that the additional area that Sarah is talking about is outside the FEMA area and specifically in front of the marine owners' businesses. It's not -- it's not the channel. It's specifically in front of the marine businesses, which is why it's not included in the FEMA money.

MS. WILSON-PINES: Is this lot

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MR. BRAUN: No, no. This is Galimada's (phonetic) property. Capri. It's all -- I don't know exactly -- I can't remember exactly but it's in front of their marinas.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Right. But that was -- but that's 778 that was. It was transferred to them in that deal because it's basically 778 was --

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MR. BRAUN: It's not 778. It's

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not 778.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: All right.

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MR. BRAUN: It's around the creek and more towards, I guess the front of the mariners operation. Does that make sense?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Okay. Yeah.

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MR. BRAUN: It's a mooring field, really.

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay. So -- and in other news, the Town is getting a new patrol boat with -- being purchased with both the Town money and U.S. Coast Guard money. So that's good news.

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And, also, the Town -- there were

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2 reported sightings of sharks in the Bay over the
3 summer but they were not confirmed and it's
4 unlikely that they were actually sharks.

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6 But the Town is writing a protocol
7 in case there are verified shark sightings in
8 Manhasset Bay.

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10 Okay. So those are the updates
11 from the Waterfront Advisory Committee -- the
12 Town's Waterfront Advisory Committee.

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14 MR. HERBERT: Did anybody mention
15 all of the rays in the Bay?

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17 MS. DEONARINE: Yes, we did. The
18 cow nosed rays. Yes.

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20 MR. HERBERT: Yeah, hundreds of
21 them. Thousands.

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23 MS. DEONARINE: Yeah. So the
24 thought was was that that's probably what people
25 say in the Bay. And that was exciting.

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27 Jen, is that usual? I've never
28 heard of that.

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30 MS. WILSON-PINES: No, no, not at
31 all.

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33 MR. HERBERT: No, nobody's ever
34 heard of it.

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MR. BRAUN: No, that's a new one
by my standards too.

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MR. HERBERT: And there are
literally schools of thousands of them where, you
know, people were fishing for other things and they
were catching rays. You know, and they were either
Manta Rays. I'm not sure what type of rays they
were.

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MR. BRAUN: Cow nosed.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Cow nosed
Rays.

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MR. HERBERT: What's that?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Cow nosed
rays.

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MR. HERBERT: Okay.

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MR. BRAUN: It's just another sign
that the water quality improvement of Manhasset
Bay.

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MR. HERBERT: Or the temperature
and improving and getting hotter.

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CHAIR KEANE: Do we have any
photos of those that you can share on social media?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: That would be
nice.

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FEMALE VOICE: I actually do. My husband took a lot of them. He was fishing. They're not that clear but I'll see if I can send them to you. He has some video.

MS. DEONARINE: Okay. I'm trying to keep track of time.

So the committee is also a member of the Long Island Sound Study Citizens Advisory Committee and we, again, participated in that social marketing -- wait, social media campaign over the summer about reducing the use of plastics and plastic pollution in our waterways.

The Long Island Sound Study is apparently choosing their priorities for the next five years and so I've been involved in commenting on that. The committee -- or the Long Island Sound Committee has also been getting more and more federal funding every year. I don't remember what the numbers is up to but that's good for water quality improvements across Long Island Sound.

And the last meeting was entirely devoted to discussing public access opportunities. So something for the committee to consider, though not necessarily vote on it, is whether we should

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2 pursue public access options in putting that in our
3 water quality improvement plan. Public access for
4 people who appreciate the waterways that are in --
5 are more apt to help protect it. It's just
6 something for consideration at this time.

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8 Also, the -- well, the Long Island
9 Sound Study Committee is doing the community-based
10 social marketing training. It was supposed to be in
11 April and it's going to be expensive but it's
12 actually now going to be on line and it's free.
13 The committee voted to send two people to it. And
14 so I'm participating. So if anybody else on the
15 committee wants to participate, you have to let me
16 know asap because it is next week, Monday through
17 Tuesday.

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18 MR. BRAUN: Sarah, it is free;
19 right?

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20 MS. DEONARINE: Yes.

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21 MR. BRAUN: Do you know where the
22 push is coming from for this? Because I have never
23 gotten so many invites in my life. Is it attached
24 to a grant or is there some reason why they're
25 pushing this so much?

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MS. DEONARINE: Well -- so the

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2 Long Island Sound Study did it ten years ago. It
3 might be that it's part of their CCMP because
4 instead of focusing on just advertising about
5 things to do, it's actually meant to try and change
6 people's behavior so that they are more likely to
7 actually do what's right for the environment.

8 I don't know -- it would be from
9 the communications team of the Long Island Sound
10 Study.

11 MR. BRAUN: Okay. No worries.

12 That's fine.

13 MS. DEONARINE: Yeah. There --
14 also, over the summer, I purchased a new domain
15 name, which was approved in 2018 as something to go
16 forward with. So we have two domains:
17 themanhattanbayprotectioncommittee.org. And
18 manhattanbay.net. And I'll keep a look out for any
19 openings in other -- like manhattanbay.com sort of
20 thing.

21 CHAIR KEANE: No MBPC?

22 MS. DEONARINE: No, that one
23 wasn't available. I'm going to keep trying for
24 other ones though.

25 Well, manhattanbay.net is not bad.

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And there's been no movement on getting the website redesigned. So we'll follow up on that.

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And then -- so for our DEC water quality monitoring grant, which we get that with the other North Shore and Baymen. Hempstead Harbor has completely expended their portion of the grant and we have expended none of it.

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But we do have a contract in place with Dvirka and Bartilucci to do a quality assurance project plan and the data usability agreement report. As soon as they have been approved by the State Department of Environmental Conservation so we can start expending funds.

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So a big grant is set to expire this year but we're already working on getting a one-year extension. Because it's not only us who's behind. Everybody except for Hempstead Harbor is behind. It was also the Cold Spring Harbor, Oyster Bay -- the North Shore, is there as well.

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Okay. And so that's the end of all my updates.

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CHAIR KEANE: Anybody else have any updates they want to share? Besides the cow

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2 nosed rays.

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4 MS. WILSON-PINES: Manorhaven
5 Village election, the mayor and one of the Trustees
6 retained their seats. So I expect things to stay
7 the same.

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CHAIR KEANE: Anybody else?

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10 MR. KLYCE: Well, if I can say a
11 word, I just wanted to -- I listened in on the
12 Hempstead Harbor Protection Committee meeting last
13 week, or a few days ago. And they also said that,
14 in their initial water quality report, they found
15 that the pathogens that were identified in
16 Hempstead Harbor were not of human origin. That is
17 the fecal matter was from some other source.

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19 So this is preliminary findings
20 but kind of interesting. Perhaps we still need to
21 investigate the goose problem.

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23 MS. WILSON-PINES: I believe that
24 they had some grant money to do DNA testing, which
25 is still a rather dicey subject not --

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CHAIR KEANE: Conclusive?

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah.

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29 MR. KLYCE: Non-conclusive but
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MS. WILSON-PINES: I mean basically what they can tell us it's -- it's mammalian, non-mammalian. In order to identify specific animals they have to -- they have to actually take samples from local populations so that they have a base line.

MR. KLYCE: Yeah. But I would also report that the Town of North Hempstead has decided to hire the Goose Chasers to use their dogs to chase the geese off of Town parks. As a result, I live on the water and so we now have a big goose problem, not only on our property but in Manhasset Bay -- so.

MS. WILSON-PINES: Well, the Town has had dogs before. That's not new.

MR. KLYCE: Well, that's true but they just passed a resolution about a month ago, or three weeks ago, and we -- we had no problem all summer long and all of a sudden we have geese -- so.

MS. DEONARINE: And the Town did have different programs in place but then they stopped. So that's good that it's starting up again.

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MS. WILSON-PINES: Yeah.

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CHAIR KEANE: Well, it's good for them but not for Steve.

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(Laughter.)

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MS. WILSON-PINES: It's a little bit early but we are seeing early migration among other species so you may also be seeing the arrival of some of the non-domestic migratory geese.

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MR. KLYCE: Trust me, these are resident Canadian geese that we've been seeing. I recognize the migration patterns of the other geese that fly through here and these are resident geese.

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MR. BRAUN: Did you check their ID?

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(Laughter.)

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MR. KLYCE: Absolutely. Tier tags and the whole thing. I mean ear tags.

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CHAIR KEANE: Because if they're coming from out of state they have to quarantine somewhere. So they may be staying in your yard for 14 days.

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(Laughter.)

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(Overlapping conversation.)

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MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

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Sorry, Bob, I'm taking over your
job.

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CHAIR KEANE: In the last motion,
I always --

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MS. DEONARINE: Well, first mark
your calendars for October 15th and we're
definitely having a meeting and November 12th a
possible meeting.

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And then, also, the beach cleanup
is ongoing until the end of the year.

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CHAIR KEANE: You said November
12th?

MS. DEONARINE: October 15th and
November 12th. Yes.

CHAIR KEANE: Okay. Let me look
at my calendar.

Okay then does anybody want to
make a motion to adjourn?

MS. MONOSON: So move.

MR. BRAUN: I make that motion.

CHAIR KEANE: I'll give it to
Jill. She was quick.

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CHAIR KEANE: That motion passes.

Thank you, everybody, for coming.

MS. DEONARINE: Thank you.

CHAIR KEANE: And once I download
the file, I'll drop it in the drop box and send it
to you.

MS. DEONARINE: Okay.

Thank you.

CHAIR KEANE: Thanks everybody.

VOICES: Good night.

CHAIR KEANE: Good night.

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I, MARC RUSSO, a Shorthand
(Stenotype) Reporter and Notary Public within and
for the State of New York, do hereby certify that
the foregoing pages 1 through 92, taken at the time
and place aforesaid, is a true and correct
transcription of my shorthand notes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my name this 14th day of October,
2020.

MARC