**Village of Maybrook**

**Board of Trustees Meeting**

**May 11, 2020**

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok, Welcome everybody to our Village of Maybrook Board meeting on May 11, 2020. The time is 7:03 p.m. Today’s Village of Maybrook Board of Trustees meeting is being held by conference call due to the COVID19 coronavirus. For the record, this meeting is being recorded and we will post it on the Village of Maybrook website as soon as possible. Since our last Village Board meeting, I received good news that our Assemblyman Brian Miller and Senator James Skoufis who tested positive for COVID19 are doing well; Assemblyman Miller had to be hospitalized and is home recuperating now. On a sad note, on April 28, 2020 in this county State Supreme Court Justice Steven Milligram died from COVID19. Justice Milligram served eight years as Monroe Town Justice until his election in November to the Supreme Court Justice Seat for the 9th Judicial District. He was just sworn into office this past January, 2020. Our thoughts and prayers for him and his family during this difficult time. In general, please continue to pray for all of those who tested positive, for those who have passed and families who have lost loved ones from COVID 19. Lets continue to pray for better days ahead. Tina, do you want to do a roll call?

CLERK JOHNSON – OK. We’ll start with Trustee Greany. Kevin?

TRUSTEE GREANY – Here.

CLERK JOHNSON – OK. Trustee Barnett?

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Here.

CLERK JOHNSON - Mayor Leahy?

MAYOR LEAHY – Here.

CLERK JOHNSON – Deputy Mayor Pritchard?

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – Right here.

CLERK JOHNSON –Trustee Capozzoli?

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLLI – Present.

CLERK JOHNSON – OK, and I think we also have DPW Superintendent Matthew Thorp?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Here.

CLERK JOHNSON – Chief Amthor?

CHIEF AMTHOR – Here as well.

CLERK JOHNSON – Attorney Kelly Naughton. Thank you for hosting. And our engineer Sean Hoffman. Welcome Audine.

ENGINEER HOFFMAN – Here.

MAYOR LEAHY – OK, first on the agenda is authorization date for the next Village Board meeting. I’m sorry I didn’t get for the bills and claims Tina.

CLERK JOHNSON –If I could get authorization for the bills and claims as sent.

TRUSTEE GREANY – I’ll make that motion.

MAYOR LEAHY – Motion by Trustee Greany.

DEPUTY TRUSTEE PRITCHARD – I’ll second, Deputy Mayor

MAYOR LEAHY – Seconded by Deputy Mayor, All in favor?

[All ayes.]

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Dennis, am I on because I don’t know if you heard me? Ok, I didn’t know I was on.

MAYOR LEAHY – I hear you. Just say .. when you say ‘aye’, say your name. Just so we know who’s speaking up alright?

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Yeah, but I also made the motion that’s why nobody heard me.

MAYOR LEAHY – So the motion was by Trustee Greany and seconded by Deputy Mayor. All in favor?

[All ayes.]

MAYOR LEAHY – Opposed? Ok.

CLERK JOHNSON – Thank you. And if I can get approval of the Minutes as transcribed by the Village Attorney for review

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLI – Trustee Capozzoli makes that motion.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – I’ll second that.

MAYOR LEAHY – All in favor?

[All ayes.]

MAYOR LEAHY – Any opposed?

[None.]

CLERK JOHNSON – Thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Alright Tina, thanks.

CLERK JOHNSON – You’re welcome.

MAYOR LEAHY – First on the agenda is the authorization date change for the next Village Board Meeting from 5/18/2020 to to 5/27/2020 which is a Wednesday evening. The reason for this is that we had made it the week before Memorial Day before COVID19 had taken place. I had a discussion with Tina about this, and said you know what, I think it’s best if we move this out to the week after so this way if there are any changes in the possibility of having the meeting we’d have a better shot than probably by next Monday. So the purpose of moving that meeting would be to the Wednesday evening. We would naturally do it by teleconference if need be and I just would need a motion from the Board.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD - I’ll make the motion to move the meeting to the 27th of May.

TRUSTEE GREANY – Second.

MAYOR LEAHY – All in favor?

[All ayes.]

MAYOR LEAHY – Opposed? Motion passed.

CLERK JOHNSON – OK, thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Alright, next on the agenda is this woman named Martha Barrera and she lives in the Village of Maybrook. She got in touch with myself and with Trustee Greany and she is on the board for the Blooming Grove Chamber of Commerce, and she has also started a group from Washingtonville called the Washingtonville Community Events Council. She works for Walden Savings Bank and what they’re doing is they’re trying to … they’ve already set this up in Washingtonville where they are going to be doing, encouraging residents to put up red, white and blue on their homes and if they want to use Christmas lights they can do that as well from May 20th to May 31st and as I said I had the County Executive reach out to me this morning because apparently she reached out to the County as well, and I told them that I was bringing it to the Board tonight to see everybody’s feedback. Kevin, do you have anything you want to add?

TRUSTEE GREANY – Just like you said, she contacted me. I’ve been back and forth with her on emails and she even said to me that Walden Bank would give us signs if we’re interested in doing this, she knows that we’re not having the parade. We advised her that we were still going to try and have a service and she went with this idea. Dennis, did she send you a flyer or anything in the mail or an email?

MAYOR LEAHY – Yes, she did. It’s basically an American Flag and what it says on it is “For Memorial Day we invite Maybrook residents to light up your homes, hearts and town with red, white and blue lights to honor our fallen heroes from May 20th to May 31st.”

TRUSTEE GREANY – That’s exactly what I heard. I think it’s a great idea if you know it’s up to the residents if they would do that. I told them we’re still hoping to go forward with having a service. This would make it even better if the residents do go for it.

MAYOR LEAHY – It won’t take much on our part to do this because I basically would get this on the website and we have Audine on the line so she probably … I’ll give her the information as well and basically get it on the Maybrook Facebook page. So listen anytime we get a resident that comes to us and steps up like this I appreciate it so I thought this was a nice gesture especially because it’s very odd times for all of us I know a lot of people of disappointed because the parades are being cancelled and especially the Memorial Day and it’s a little bit of something extra and if people want to participate, I don’t see an issue with it. Anybody else have any discussion?

TRUSTEE GREANY – She also asked me to put flags out. So, if anybody has flags you can fly the flags and everything so…

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Thank you Kevin. That’s all I wanted to say; I would add to that we should make sure that people put, especially on Memorial Day, everybody should be flying flags this year more than any.

MAYOR LEAHY – Sure, anybody else?

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – I think it’s a great idea.

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLI– I absolutely love the idea.

MAYOR LEAHY – It’s great. So do you want to make the motion Kevin?

TRUSTEE GREANY – Do you want me to email her tonight and ask her to get a sign made up for us?

MAYOR LEAHY – Yes, you can tell her to make a sign, that’s fine.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Absolutely, what’s the dates again? May what, Dennis?

MAYOR LEAHY – May 20th to May 31st. I will send out I’ll send out what she sent me to the Board this evening.

TRUSTEE GREANY – I got it already Dennis so

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok. You’re gonna get in touch with Ms. Barrera?

TRUSTEE GREANY – Yes, I will email her today as soon as the meeting is over, I will email her.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok, great, so you

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – Kevin, are you going to make a motion on this?

TRUSTEE GREANY – I will make the motion to go forward with it, yes?

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok, so motion by Trustee Greany to move forward with the red, white and blue Memorial Day.

DEPUTY MAYOR - Second, I’ll second

TRUSTEE BARNETT – You got it Bob.

MAYOR LEAHY – Second by Deputy Mayor. All in favor?

[All ayes.]

MAYOR LEAHY – Any opposed? Ok, Alright Tina do you want to handle the next one?

CLERK JOHNSON – OK

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Dennis, excuse me Dennis can I make a suggestion?

MAYOR LEAHY – What’s that?

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Since I’m going to get word to this lady maybe it’s something you can pass on to John Lockman or Bob Beck they can let the VFW members know by email or something?

MAYOR LEAHY – Sure, I will send it to them.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Yea, I think we should so this way at least they know that we’re trying to do something nice to honor the ones that have fallen on Memorial Day and I think certainly the Veterans would want to be part of this.

MAYOR LEAHY – Sure, I will get this out. It’s going to be on the website. It will be on the social media and I know Audine’s going to get this in there as well. I will send her the information tonight.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Excellent. Thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Alright. Go ahead Tina.

CLERK JOHNSON – OK, I was just advised that we did receive a nice letter today to the attention of Dear Member, The New York Rural Water Association would be honoring our 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 year members in the summer issue of AquaFacts due to the cancellation of our 41st annual technical and training workshop and exhibition. Your system has been a member of the New York Rural Water Association for forty years and we would like to recognize you. We are very proud to have the support of these members on behalf of the staff and Board of Directors of the New York Row Water Association thank you for your continued support to the Association. Enclosed you will find your certificate. So, thank you Matthew. There’s the certificate.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – You’re welcome.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Congratulations, very good.

MAYOR LEAHY – How long have you been a member?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – How long have I been a member? I’ve been on the Board for 24 years.

MAYOR LEAHY – And you’ve been the president for how long?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – I was President for five and I’m just a plain old Board Member right now. No responsibilities.

MAYOR LEAHY - Well, you’ve been a part of that Board for half of your career, so that’s pretty impressive.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – It’s a good group of people. They’ve been a big help to this Village through the years so.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Very good

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD - Congratulations

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLI - Congratulations

TRUSTEE GREANY - Congratulations Matt

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Very good, congratulations

MAYOR LEAHY – Tina, have you got anything else?

CLERK JOHNSON – No, thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Alright, I’ve got a few things so just bear with me here. Pursuant to the Executive Order 2026 which was issued on May 1, 2020 all Village elections scheduled to take place in March, April, May and June of 2020 will be postponed and rescheduled to September 15, 2020. The Order states that Village election in which the ballot was fully determined when the election was postponed the election will proceed with the same ballot. Additionally if the ballots are already printed the ballots may be used at the September 15, 2020 election despite displaying the original date of the election. Village elections for which ballot access was incomplete when petitioning was suspended the Executive Order states that the petitioning process will continue to be on hold until the New York on pause order ceases. Subject to a process determined by a future Executive law. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ while current Village officials will remain in office until the rescheduled election is held on September 15, 2020 the newly elected officials will assume office when the results of the election are certified to election law. I know that we are running unopposed but we have an obligation to put this out to the public. So, I just wanted to bring that up tonight. This came out last week. Last, we went through the Memorial Day red, white and blue so that’s a good go. At our last Village Board of Trustees meeting we had to make a difficult decision to cancel our Village of Maybrook Memorial Day Service due to the COVID19. The Village of Maybrook Memorial Day Service has not been cancelled as Trustee Greany and I will be monitoring as we get closer to Memorial Day. We will notify residents through the website and with the Maybrook Facebook page once a decision is made keeping in mind that we want to keep our residents safe. The COVID19 continues to take a toll on many since it started. As of today there are 9,839 positive cases reported of COVID19 reported in Orange County. 388 deaths have been reported, 121 people are currently hospitalized, 106 of those people hospitalized tested positive and 15 are hospitalized with symptoms of COVID19. There are 72% ICU beds available in the County. As of today there are 562 positive cases of COVID19 reported in the Town of Montgomery. We are seeing a decline in the numbers more importantly is the increase in the availability of the ICU beds. I’ve been on conference calls daily with the County Executive Stephen Neuhaus, Orange County Health Commissioner Dr. Irena Gellman and Department of Emergency Services Commissioner Brendan Casey. The numbers discussed are posted on the Village of Maybrook website and the Maybrook Facebook page as soon as they become available. As of today Orange County needs five of the seven metrics required to start reopening. Orange County is in the Mid-Hudson region with Ulster, Dutchess, Sullivan, Putnam and Rockland Counties. The health experts are hopeful progress will continue through the week Orange County could meet all seven of the metrics. For anyone interested, the County has set up a new app for iphone and android phones. The app is Orange County New York Health. Residents can download and receive updates directly from Orange County Health Department. We have received a few social distancing complaints. Any residents who wish to file a social distancing complaint can call 1-833-789-0470. During stressful times we tend to see a jump of phone scams and fraud cases reported. This is an issue across the state and mainly targeted towards healthy elderly. Please be aware and do not give your personal information over the phone to any unidentified source. We are hearing more and more friends and neighbors who have lost loved ones from COVID19. The American Red Cross offers a virtual family assistance center to provide emotional and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ care, referrals and support to those seeking help. Anyone interested can contact them by phone at 1-585-957-8187 or go on line to RedCross.org/innewyorkstatecovidfamilysupport.gov. On April 29, 2020, the Village received a few phone calls about loud explosions heard throughout the Village and a New York State Police helicopter flying over the Village. The New York State Police were destroying explosives and confiscated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a controlled environment off of Barron Road. Because a lot of residents were out and about hiking, biking and walking the New York State Police helicopter was in the area to make sure no civilians were in the vicinity when it was being done. This was also put out to the residents because it was starting to mount of social media, they got two phone calls on it, so it got cleared up. On April 29, 2020, a COVID announcement went out to residents from our DPW Supervisor Matt Thorp to advise residents that there has been a huge influx of wipes, rags and rubber gloves coming into our treatment facility and is creating a large issue for proper plant operation. Trustee Kevin Greany went down to the sewer treatment plant and spoke to our sewer operator as well. Just a reminder to residents please do not flush anything other than human waste and toilet paper down the toilet. Safely discard wipes and rubber gloves in a sealed bag and place it in your garbage can. This past week I received notice that the Orange County sales tax revenue for the month of April 2020 was 24.7% lower than last year. Although stores have been closed supermarkets have had record sales and people appear to be doing a lot of on line shopping as well. We will continue to monitor this day by day and see where the numbers for the month of May come in. As always, we prepare for the worst and we hope for the best as days go on. One last note, on May 6th we celebrated nurses day and this past Sunday on May 10th was Mother’s Day. To all the essential people who have reported to work during COVID19 in our community and throughout the State we thank them for their service and our prayers are with you and your families. Thank you to our Maybrook Department of Public Works, Maybrook Police Department, the ladies in the office Tina, Linda and Laurie, our Building Inspector Tim Ippolito, Kelly Naughton and Sean Hoffman. Everyone has stepped up to the plate during the pandemic and efforts are appreciated. Let’s hope for better days ahead. Please continue to wear your masks in public and practice social distancing. Good health to all and your families. Our next Village of Maybrook Board Meeting will be held on Monday, was scheduled to be held on Monday, May 18th, at 7 p.m. At this meeting, tonight’s meeting we had pushed up the meeting to May 27th at 7 p.m. so we will have to decide as we get closer whether it’s going to be teleconference or not. We will keep everybody advised. Thank you and have a safe evening everyone. Next, Kevin.

TRUSTEE GREANY – Dennis, the sewer plant is up and running well and your code reds seem to be working. I was down there today with Donnie. Over the weekend only a ¼ of the bag was full so people did pay attention to it. I want to keep on top of that how important it is not only to a sewer plant but to their homes also. They’ll clog up their sewers outside and back up into their homes so it’s very very important that they keep going forward but please don’t just throw it down the toilet bowl. Put it in plastic and throw it out. Other than that everybody please continue staying safe and hopefully we get better and better as we go along and we can have something on Memorial Day. And another thing, I will call John \_\_\_\_\_ up tomorrow and I will give him this information also.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok.

TRUSTEE GREANY – That’s all I have.

MAYOR LEAHY – Jim?

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Kevin, just keep me appraised about if there’s anything I can do to help you with Memorial Day. I know we’re not sure yet, but just let me know. I will be there to help you if I can. You know that. The other thing is… you’re very welcome, Mayor you already highlighted it but, Butch are you there and Matt?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Yes.

CHIEF AMTHOR – Yes, I’m on.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – I just want to personally take a moment to say thank you to the both of you. This Village has maintained as if nothing’s happened and it’s been a very serious outbreak, the Police have been there, the DPW has been there and I also want to thank Tina and the girls in the office, Kelly, Sean, like Dennis said you guys, it’s almost like we just kept business going normally and boy is that a statement to make with what’s going on. So, God bless you all and thank you for what you did, and please convey that to everybody in the departments, Matt and Butch. Thank you.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Thank you.

CHIEF AMTHOR – Thank you and we will yes and I appreciate it I was just going to drop some humor here but I’ll do it now to Kevin Greany here. My grandfather had a saying Don’t back up the hoppa. Right?

[Laughter.]

CHIEF AMTHOR – Don’t back up the hoppa, so there we go. We all gotta process that. That’s a good thing to know. Right?

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Yup, sure is. Hahahaha

CHIEF AMTHOR – Just a little humor that I will throw out there.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – That’s it for me Mayor, thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok. Bob ?

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – I think one of things I’d like to say, this is the kind of move with the red, white and blue lights that could really lead to an on-going thing not just this year but it’s ah, that’s how trends begin I think that’s a wonderful idea. It’s a little something that goes beyond just a one hour event or a one day event and it puts it on the calendar and marks it more permanent so I like that idea very much. Kevin, I’m not exactly sure who it was that brought that to your attention but cudos to him and cudos to you for following through on it. Economically what we’re looking at here is a little bit of movement. There’s a lot of real estate sales, there’s a lot of real estate movement going on out there. People bailing out of the city environments, office space, people are looking for alternative sites now in much larger numbers than they were before in order to preserve operations for stay at home people or just to operate out of smaller environments. So that’s something that I know our Bill Fioravanti and the rest of the Orange County Economic Development is focusing quite a bit on because we’re in a good location here for it so and Tina if I’m not mistaken our Planning Board is having our first meeting this week or next? This week right?

CLERK JOHNSON – Thursday night, yup.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – So that’s a good sign for moving in the right direction so I haven’t seen the agenda yet but let’s keep our fingers crossed that things are beginning to move. I know I’ve gotten nothing but good news so I’m hoping that it continues to trend forward so that’s it for me just everybody stay safe and as Jim said great job to the DPW and the Police Department. I noticed Jim Barnett or Dennis Barnett out on Sunday, Mother’s Day, because all of the other young guys were out visiting their moms on Facebook and all so that was nice. He had his first shift in a while so they let the young married guys that need the money work. I think that’s a good thing. Not only are they doing a good but they’re doing a good job by each other. So, keep up the good work. Stay safe. That’s it for me.

CHIEF AMTHOR - He’s a good man that committed to the Village and we’re very valued to have him. So, I appreciate that and I’ll pass it on.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Thank you Chief.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – Thank you good job.

MAYOR LEAHY – Daryl?

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLI – First and foremost I want to thank the Village Staff, to include the Police Department, the DPW, what a fantastic job they’re doing. Kelly, Sean and especially the Board and the Mayor. This is tough to get through. We’ll get through it. We’ll figure it out. On the parks, I’ve talked to Matt today as a matter of fact he assures me that ah Kevin everything will be ready for the memorial by Memorial Day. Ceremony, no ceremony, he assures me it will be ready and it will be done in-house. Um, the flag idea, it’s a great idea. A little caveat from doing this from home. I ordered a 6 x 4 foot 3D flag for the front of the house.

[Laughter.]

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLI – So they have them. You can buy a 6 by 4 foot LED flag right on Amazon. I was going to go local but that was going to be pretty tough to do. I’m upset about the Memorial Day Parade; I’m more concerned about everybody staying safe. My thoughts and prayers to everybody out there and that’s all I have.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok, thank you. Butch?

CHIEF AMTHOR – I think everything has been pretty much covered. I do just want to say this and I guess this is a premonition or a prediction. If we all can recall post-911 there was a mass exodus out of the New York metropolitan area into our region the Hudson Valley. I called this about a month ago I told my wife one morning over coffee that if you could imagine being stuck in a 650 sq.ft. apartment with your husband and your two kids and you can’t leave I think we’ve got to prepare ourselves we’re going to be in a really tough budgetary situation moving forward. We’re going to have to worry about what it is we actually need as to opposed to what we may thing we want moving forward with our budgets and I think we also have to predict that there will be a very big probably bigger wave than post-911 of folks moving into our area. If you drive around places like New Windsor, Town of Newburgh you just see hundreds of apartments and condos coming in and I just honestly think that people are going to bail out and we’re going to be in for the big bail out that’s going to be something we’re going to deal with and we’re going to have to worry about our services that we provide and being able to provide public safety services maybe tighten our belts a little bit but we can’t lose sight of the fact that we’re going to probably dealing with larger populations moving forward and that’s all I will say.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – If I can add on that I think one of the things that we’re finding here is that a lot of the thinking, 911 was a one-time event, a one-day event, it was over, it took a while to clean up. This is an on-going event, it’s taken 3 months and it’s still unfolding so that is it’s keeping the fear in these peoples minds and the fore front of their minds so that’s what’s driving a lot of this boom it’s not just a one time event and we’ll get back to normal it will take a long long time to get back to normal this time. You’re 100% right.

TRUSTEE CAPOZZOLI - If I could just add to something the deputy mayor said I have a friend who is a realtor and advised me he cannot even keep up with the phone calls looking for property in this area.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Wow.

MAYOR LEAHY – After being on all these phone calls and having discussions with the County Executive and the other town supervisors and mayors I could tell you that it’s exactly what I said from the beginning it’s going to be one day at a time at this point and that’s how we’re going to have to handle this. You can’t go out even as far as a week because you don’t know where you’re going to be. You know we’re going to deal with it, do the best we can. Anything else Butch?

CHIEF AMTHOR – No I’m done, no I’m done, thank you. Thank you guys.

MAYOR LEAHY – Thank you. Matt?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Just a couple of things. You got the emails that I sent out regarding the work we’re doing right now in house. We’re going to be also be doing some work at the sewer plant too because there are old tanks pumped down that right now are fish ponds the original plan was to actually was to fill those in because in the long term when we have to do the disinfection on the plant the building is going to go where the drying beds were it’s already pre-piped for that and the driveway will circle around then and we’re going to get that started here shortly. We’re going to do some work on some roads at the bottom of Adams Drive, we’re going to have to dig that up and shut the traffic down and detour them around here shortly if mother nature cooperates. Also the Mayor has the annual water quality report going on the website as required by the Department of Health. I already got the approvals from the Department of Health. We just have to do the certifications to both the County and the State on that. Sean and I have been working and you saw an email. We can’t really do anything with the sidewalks under the current Executive Order but as soon as that does break lose we’re ready to go. And other than that, we’ve been busy and lawn maintenance has been sporadic as we can do it and go out in the field and do our other stuff that we’re doing.

MAYOR LEAHY – Anything else?

SUPERINTEDENT THORP – Oh, no, just to thank the Mayor and the Board for their support. We’ve been trying to do our thing social distancing and everything and also when the public has a question we try to be as direct as we can because there are a lot of concerns out there yet.

MAYOR LEAHY – Anyone else have any questions?

TRUSTEE GREANY – Nope, everything’s good Mayor. Good job.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok. Sean?

SEAN HOFFMAN – Yes, just want to build off of one thing that Matt brought up that was the sidewalks so you have that grant you got the grant to award the agreement it was executed the end of March unfortunately the timing was poor in terms of getting work started because that’s non-essential construction so sidewalks can’t proceed so I spoke to Matt and I spoke with the Mayor about being in a position to start at least the work along Country Club on 208 up to Ted Miller once the Executive Order is lifted so I had sent Matt some plans electronically if he hasn’t gotten a hard copy he should be getting a hard copy soon and as soon as he gets that we’re going to kind of go over it and finalize a design and just be in a position to go out to bid or start construction when things approved from the Executive Order standpoint otherwise I’ve been spending some time on a couple of outstanding projects and I’m looking to schedule a meeting like this and try to go over some items as best we could so we can keep moving forward on stuff.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP - I did get the hard copy today Sean.

SEAN HOFFMAN – Good. So, whenever you have some time this week we can get together and if you have any comments on it we can go through it ok?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP - You got it.

SEAN HOFFMAN – Thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Matt, do you want to just give an update on the road repair?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – The road repair right now is going to be a little bit slow because they just allowed the construction to start again. They opened the black top plants and of course everybody is behind trying to play catch up. Unfortunately, there’s a shut down we could have had most or all of our road projects done but it is what it is. And you saw that we did get the completion of Rakoff finally with the striping and the parking lots and it looks very neat and professional and I got a lot of compliments from the residents on that but we’re going to have to dig up the end of Adams Drive first that’s a very soft spot where I’m taking material out and put some item four and compact it and do a short section pave. I am working with one of our neighboring municipalities to have them bring their paver in and then we’ll do that in-house.

MAYOR LEAHY - We’ll fix that manhole that’s there also.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Yup, that’s all part of it that’s why it’s got to be excavated and dug up.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok. Good.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD - Matt, 208 is scheduled to start again tomorrow now?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Ah, yes, they were here, they were ready to mobilize and then mother nature threw that curve ball.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD - Ok, so one day delay.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Hey Matthew?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – Yes, Jim?

TRUSTEE BARNETT – That big thing in the park is that New York State Route 208?

SUPERINTENDENT THORP – No, that’s not New York State that is the contractor for Central Hudson that’s doing it. BTM

TRUSTEE BARNETT – That’s what I thought. Ok, alright.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP - They’re going to cut back on the cross over cuts where we have the speed bumps. They’re going to go 2 feet beyond where they are transition them properly so it should be much smoother when they’re done all the ones that were bad.

TRUSTEE BARNETT – Excellent, thank you.

MAYOR LEAHY – Ok, Kelly?

ATTORNEY NAUGHTON – Sure, just one thing and Bob touched on it earlier that is that he spoke with the Mayor and he is going to lift that part or is lifting that part of the Declaration of Emergency to allow the Planning Board to meet. They are meeting this Thursday. There is only one item on the agenda right now that is Big Shine/Yellow Freight. The issue with the lighting that looks like flood lighting on to the adjacent roads and could be seen from Country Club so that’s going to be on the Planning Board agenda and we appreciate you lifting that so we can hold the meeting. It will be held via WebEx as well, so still no in-person meeting. That’s all that I have.

MAYOR LEAHY – The Deputy Mayor stole our thunder.

ATTORNEY NAUGHTON – I know, right?

MAYOR LEAHY – Yea.

DEPUTY MAYOR – Sorry about that.

[Laughter.]

DEPUTY MAYOR – there’s not a whole lot to steal

SUPERINTENDENT THORP - Dennis, I have one other thing also

MAYOR LEAHY – Go ahead.

SUPERINTENDENT THORP - The applications for request for public assistance are in through DHS and FEMA and we’re tracking everything because it’s an open-ended declaration at this time. So, everything we’ve done including the disinfection which we’re going to have to do and do the Senior Center once everything starts to reopen you know a deep cleaning so

MAYOR LEAHY – I know you’ve been staying on it and I appreciate it. There’s been a lot of extra work that’s gone into this between trying to coordinate this, extra meetings going in because everybody’s trying to stay on the same page so I appreciate everybodys help on this. So its been good. So is there anybody from the public on Kelly?

ATTORNEY NAUGHTON – Audine is on, and here was a user number 10 for a while but they didn’t identify themselves so I muted them and now they’re gone.

MAYOR LEAHY – Audine, do you have anything?

AUDINE – No, just that woman’s name from Washingtonville?

MAYOR LEAHY – I will send it to you.

AUDINE – Ok

TRUSTEE GREANY - Martha Barrera

AUDINE – Do you know when you might make a decision about a service on Memorial Day?

MAYOR LEAHY – We have up until the week before so, ah, we’re going to hold it out. I think what’s going to end up happening this week is you’re going to see some movement possible movement at the end of the week the way the numbers are going right now I’m not sure what’s going to happen because you know, I don’t, there’s information that’s coming out but I don’t like putting out what they think is going to happen because if it gets pulled back then people get disappointed so its better off to wait until they come out and say hey this is what’s going to be taking place and this is what the facts are. So right now I could tell you that right now the County is has some concerns over the fact that we are being lumped in with the whole Mid-Hudson area which has Putnam, Westchester and Rockland in it. Our numbers are better than Westchester and Rockland’s but Dutchess and Ulster have better numbers than us. So they could say the same thing about us if they wanted so I know that the County Executive said this morning when I spoke to him that he is trying to get this where they can go by County it would be easier to do it that way because if the County is open then let them do more but there’s some negotiations taking place between the Governor and the County Executives and then it comes down to us. So, we’ve been able to weigh in on certain things and give some suggestions. One of the things was about restaurants. I had something that I had passed along saying that, and I’m going to use the Maybrook Diner as an example because they are in the Village here, is that they do have booth service. So what if a restaurant like the Diner is able to open up just the booths and then leave the middle tables empty and the counter space empty just to get them open. So these are things that they’ll be taking into consideration moving forward. They’re putting all this stuff together. What stage it is going to be I’m not sure but I did send to everybody the metric stages in the email I sent after my meeting this afternoon so you might want to read through that because there’s some pretty interesting information inside there.

AUDINE – Ok. Thank you.

TRUSTEE GREANY – I got that Dennis, and today I read through the whole thing; it’s good.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Yea, we got it; it was very good, very good. Like always, thanks for the updates.

TRUSTEE GREANY - Good job; the job you’ve been doing on this Dennis it’s fantastic. You’ve been on top of the the whole way through you really have been. I really appreciate that a lot.

MAYOR LEAHY - I put the numbers out and I was rushing to take dinner over to my parents house so I was waiting to get back to the numbers and sometimes when Steve puts his numbers out his numbers are when he does his meeting afterwards so they’re a little skewed so I skew them when I give them to you guys at 3:00 to tell you what the increases or the decreases were I missed that one but Jim is always on it. He kept on it and he got me he said you missed the numbers so I straightened it out right away fixed it so we are good to go. I’m looking forward to getting back and seeing everybody again I this has been tough I know on everybody. These are tough times

TRUSTEE BARNETT - I’m glad you mentioned that because I haven’t seen you guys in such a long time you should be aware that I’m now 6 ft 6, 280 lbs. and I look like Clint Eastwood.

[Laughter.]

SUPERINTENDENT THORP - His hair is down to his neck

[Laughter.]

MAYOR LEAHY – I was going to say as much as I’m

CHIEF AMTHOR - I don’t want to think about you looking at that, what was that famous Italian guy that they used to use all the cover of the paperback love stories. Fabio. Fabio.

[Laughter.]

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD - I look like ZZ Top right now.

[Laughter.]

MAYOR LEAHY – What I was going to say is as much as I miss seeing everyone, I am willing to sacrifice that everybody is healthy. So that’s the most important thing and that your families are health and you know we did hear from a couple of residents, I saw them on social media that have lost sisters and brothers and mothers and fathers and you know this is a tough time and if it hasn’t touched you you’re very fortunate and there’s a lot of people out there it did touch so you know our prayers are with them so I just hope we get over this fast.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Well like you say one day at a time. We’ll get through this.

CHIEF AMTHOR - I do just want to say one thing and then I’m going to hang up here you know and seriously not just because of my officers. I’m no longer a first responder but I guess I’m the boss of them meaning these guys and gals are out there everyday getting these very peculiar calls you know people are worrying about their neighbors they’re making calls and they’re finding people in these like kind of precarious you know different situations and stuff and it’s not all bad people are looking out for each other. I will share a really quick funny story if you all want to hear it. In the town of Montgomery a couple of weeks ago there is a 80 something year old man who lives on a street and he walks everyday, he’s got a little paper bag he picks up the garbage and rubbish on the side of the road and his 102 year old mother is actually living with him so live together and you know it’s a true story, this is a good thing so I hope you all take this as what it is here okay, so the neighbors are so used to seeing this gentleman walking up and down the road, you know, picking up the rubbish and just being out there saying hi, waving his hand, they didn’t see him for a few days and they got concerned and of course they called the Police and they know that he has a 100 and some year old mother that’s still alive, the car had not moved from the driveway, so the Police officers go to the house, listen when you 100 and some years old and you’re 80 some years old, how many next of kin do you have right, so nobody knew how to contact any next of kin or anything like that right and the officers were banging on the door, banging on the door and nobody would answer and they thought the worst and they called me up and they said listen Chief I think we ought to force the door, and we all thought the worst. We really did and I said yes, force the door, the neighbors couldn’t contact any next of kin or anybody and they forced the door and they went in and the mother and the son were sitting at the kitchen table drinking a cup of tea. And they said, what are you guys doing in our house ?

[Laughter.]

CHIEF AMTHOR - and they said well, we’re here to check on you. They said, we’re fine you can leave us alone so we can finish our tea.

MAYOR LEAHY - Thank God Jim was ok

TRUSTEE GREANY - thank God Jim was ok.

CHIEF AMTHOR - They were so deaf they couldn’t hear the guys banging on the door.

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Butch, the best part of that story is the car was parked in the driveway. God bless him, he’s 87.

CHIEF AMTHOR - That’s a story that’s worth sharing because it’s a good story. Right?

TRUSTEE BARNETT - Amen

MAYOR LEAHY – Make a motion to adjourn

TRUSTEE BARNETT – So moved

MAYOR LEAHY – Second

TRUSTEE BARNETT - I’ll make the motion, so moved, so moved

MAYOR LEAHY – Second?

DEPUTY MAYOR PRITCHARD – Second.

MAYOR LEAHY – All in favor

[All ayes.]

MAYOR LEAHY – Thank you very much have a great night.