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THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE IS COMMITTED TO MAKING ITS PUBLIC MEETING ACCESSIBLE TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES. IF, DUE TO A DISABILITY, YOU NEED AN ACCOMMODATION OR ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC MEETING OR TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IN AN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE AT 571-4252, OR THE NASSAU COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED AT 227-7101 OR TDD TELEPHONE NO. 227-8989. AS PER THE NASSAU COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL’S OFFICE, THE PETER J. SCHMITT MEMORIAL LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER HAS A MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY OF 251 PEOPLE AND THE OUTER CHAMBER WHICH WILL STREAM THE MEETING LIVE, HAS A MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY OF 72. PASSES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS BEGINNING ONE HALF HOUR BEFORE MEETING TIME.

EVERY LEGISLATIVE MEETING IS STREAMED LIVE ON http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/Legis/index.html.

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 1–2020**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. 4-20(OMB)

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 2–2020**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. 5-20(OMB)

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 3–2020**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. 6-20(OMB)
4. **ORDINANCE NO. 4 –2020**

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AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CORRECTIONAL CENTER. 11-20(OMB)

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 7–2020**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE MEDICAL EXAMINER. 12-20(OMB)

8. **ORDINANCE NO. 8-2020**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. 13-20(OMB)

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 9-2020**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. 16-20(OMB)
10. **RESOLUTION NO. 1-2020**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE VARIOUS AGREEMENTS WITH THE LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY DOING BUSINESS AS LIPA IN RELATION TO THE BAY PARK SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT E4 PROJECT. 2-20(PW)

11. **RESOLUTION NO. 2-2020**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND THE NASSAU COUNTY POLICE DETECTIVES’ ASSOCIATION, INC., AND RATIFYING THE ACT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LABOR RELATIONS OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU IN EXECUTING SUCH MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. 3-20(CE)

12. **RESOLUTION NO. 3-2020**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO PARTICIPATE IN A TRANSPORTATION PROJECT PROVIDING FOR REHABILITATION OF GLENN CURTISS BRIDGE, PIN 0761.47, BIN 3360559 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SAID AID FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS IN NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK. 9-20(PW)

13. **RESOLUTION NO. 4-2020**


14. **RESOLUTION NO. 5-2020**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CLAIM OF PLAINTIFF, AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED AIG PROPERTY CASUALTY COMPANY AS SUBROGEE OF ALAN ROSENBAUM V. THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, INDEX NO. 603775/2013, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. 24-20(AT)
15. **RESOLUTION NO. 6-2020**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS, AND THE ONDERDONK LANDMARK SOCIETY, INC. 1-20(PK)

16. **RESOLUTION NO. 7-2020**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION D/B/A EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT IN RELATION TO THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THREE PARKING STRUCTURES AT THE NASSAU VETERANS MEMORIAL COLISEUM HUB SITE. 27-20(CE)

17. **RESOLUTION NO. 8-2020**

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE’S APPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY NOGID TO THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION BOARD. 18-20(CE)

18. **RESOLUTION NO. 9-2020**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE’S APPOINTMENT OF HABEEB AHMED TO THE ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 203 AND 2114 OF THE NASSAU COUNTY CHARTER. 19-20(CE)

19. **RESOLUTION NO. 10-2020**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE’S APPOINTMENT OF HARRY MALHOTRA TO THE ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 203 AND 2114 OF THE NASSAU COUNTY CHARTER. 20-20(CE)

20. **RESOLUTION NO. 11-2020**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2019. 10-20(OMB)
21. **RESOLUTION NO. 12-2020**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2019. 14-20(OMB)

22. **RESOLUTION NO. 13-2020**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2019. 15-20(OMB)

23. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-2020**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2019. 17-20(OMB)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Nassau County Executive has executed the following personal service contracts, copies of which are on file with the Office of the Clerk of the Nassau County Legislature. These contracts are listed for informational purposes only.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Central Nassau Guidance and Counseling Services, Inc. $.01. RE: OMH - Reinvestment. ID# CQHS19000184.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Central Nassau Guidance and Counseling Services, Inc.- $.01. RE: OMH - Reinvestment. ID# CQHS19000185

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Police Department and North American Family Institute, Inc. $80,000.00. RE: Youth & Police Initiative Program. CQPD19000003.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Department of Education, Diocese of Rockville Centre. $237,580.00 RE: YDA-Education. ID# CQHS19000154.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Central Nassau Guidance Counseling Services, Inc. $.01. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000179.
County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Laurel Homes II, L.P. $900,000.00 RE: HOME Services. ID# CQHI19000060.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and La Fuerza Unida, Inc. $25,000.00 RE: CDBG. ID# CQHI19000035.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and City of Glen Cove. $415,000.00. RE: CDBG Services. ID# CQHI19000022.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Rockville Centre. $.01. RE: CDBG. ID# CLHI19000005.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Hispanic Brotherhood Inc. $35,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000024.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Copay, Inc. $30,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000028.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Great Neck Plaza. $88,560.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000023.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Town of Oyster Bay. $1,000,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000044.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Lynbrook. $275,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000034.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and South Shore Child Guidance Center, Inc. $.01. Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000190.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Mental Health Association of Nassau County, Inc.- $.01. OMH -Health Home. ID# CQHS19000193.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Long Beach Aware. $.01. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000186.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Counseling Service of Eastern District of NY, Inc.- $.01. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000180.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Long Island Advocacy Center. $.01. RE: Advocacy/Support Services. ID# CQHS19000182.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of New Hyde Park. $105,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000039.
County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Long Beach Reach, Inc. $30,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000026.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Massapequa Park. $.01. RE CDBG. ID# CLHI1900007.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of East Rockaway. $100,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000043.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Hempstead Town. $3,000,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000040.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Sea Cliff. $57,200.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000034.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Mineola. $250,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000041.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Williston Park. $40,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000032.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Central Nassau Guidance and Counseling Services, Inc. $50,000.00. RE CDBG. ID# CQHI19000036.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Oceanside Counseling Center, Inc. $.01. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000196.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Maryhaven Center of Hope, Inc. $200,000.00. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000018.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Southeast Nassau Guidance Center, Inc. $.01. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000187.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Youth and Family Counseling Agency of Oyster Bay- East Norwich, Inc. $.01. RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000197.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Mental Health Association of Nassau County, Inc. $.01. RE: OMH Reinvestment. ID# CQHS19000192.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Mental Health Association of Nassau County, Inc. $4,900.00. RE: OMH Local Assistance. ID# CLHS19000017.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Maryhaven Center of Hope, Inc. $.01. RE: OMH PROS. ID# CQHS19000188.
County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Abilities, Inc. $.01.
RE: OMH. ID# CQHS19000189.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Confide, Inc. $.01.
RE: Chemical Dependency. ID# CQHS19000195.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and Village of Bayville. $20,000.00. RE: CDBG. ID# CQHI19000027.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Intergovernmental and North Hempstead Town. $525,000.00. RE: CDBG. ID# CQHI1900052.

THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE
WILL CONVENE NEXT
COMMITTEE MEETINGS ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2020 at 1:00PM
AND
FULL LEGISLATURE MEETING ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2020 at 7:00PM
AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of Emergency Management.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and
WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and
WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated January 6, 2020, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,
WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

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§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6
N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.
PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2 –2020

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of Emergency Management.

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§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.
PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 5 –2020

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Department of Social Services.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and
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§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.
AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Correctional Center.

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AN ORDINANCE supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Medical Examiner.

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO.  8 –2020

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of the District Attorney.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and
WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and
WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated January 6, 2020, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,
WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

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FULL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

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Presiding Officer

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Mineola, New York

Monday, January 27, 2020 
1:16 P.M.
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CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Ladies and gentlemen, take your seats. We are going to start the Legislative session now. I'm going to ask Legislator Bill Gaylor to please lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Please remain standing after the Pledge of Allegiance for several reasons.

(Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.)

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: First, today is National Holocaust Remembrance Day. It signifies anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camps at the end of the Holocaust, so we keep all of those victims in our thoughts and prayers, their families as well.

We would like to have a moment of silence for the loss of Kobe Bryant and his daughter and all of the victims of that tragic helicopter crash.

And for Thomas Valva, the young boy who lost his life last week in Suffolk County.

Just to add one more. Also to
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our colleague, Debra Mule, who lost her father last week.

Thank you very much.

(A moment of silence was observed.)

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you very much. We added our condolences to Legislator Mule. Hope for all the best and pray for your family.

Before we start our regular meeting, we have one of our members who has to be sworn in as a legislator. I don't know if we need to vote on this everybody. Legislator Drucker could not join us last week so it's important that he formally take the oath of office. We have with us a distinguished visitor, Assemblyman Chuck Lavine, to do the honors.

ASSEMBLYMAN CHUCK LAVINE: Thank you, Presiding Officer Nicolello, and good to see you and good to see everyone else here today. Arnie, my friend, thank you for the invitation to permit me the great honor of swearing you in.
I'm lucky to have you as a friend and I'm very proud of what you have done, but Frannie and your son Noah who is here today are much much prouder and that's as it should be. If you would be so kind as to place your hand on the bible.

Repeat after me, I, Arnold Drucker, do solemnly swear to uphold the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of New York and the Charter and Laws of Nassau County, and to discharge the duties of the office of Nassau County legislature to the best of my ability so help me God.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: "I, Arnold Drucker, do solemnly swear to uphold the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of New York and the Charter and Laws of Nassau County, and to discharge the duties of the office of Nassau County legislature to the best of my ability so help me God."

ASSEMBLYMAN LEVINE: It is now my great honor to declare you duly installed as
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a member of the Nassau County Legislature.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Rhoads told me he makes a motion to table.

Mike, could you please call the roll.

CLERK PULITZER: Thank you. Roll call. Deputy Presiding Officer Howard Kopel?

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Alternate Deputy Presiding Officer Denise Ford?

LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Siela Bynoe?

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Carrie Solages?

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Debra Mule?

LEGISLATOR MULE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator C. William Gaylor III? He is here. Vincent
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Legislator Muscarella?

LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Ellen Birnbaum?

LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton?

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator James Kennedy?

LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Thomas McKevitt?

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Laura Schaefer?

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator John Ferretti, Jr.?

LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Arnold Drucker?

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Rose
Legislator Marie Walker?

LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Joshua Lafazan? Josh is not with us today?

Legislator Steven Rhoads?

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Present.

CLERK PULITZER: Minority Leader Kevan Abrahams?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Presiding Officer Richard Nicolello?

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: We have a quorum, sir.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Before we start the business portion of our meeting we have, as we always have at our legislative meetings, we have our top cop presentations after which we will have a period of public comment and then the business of the Legislature.

At this point I would like to invite up James McDermott, the president of the Nassau County PBA.
MR. MCDERMOTT: Once again, I want to thank everyone for having the legislative top cops again. This is Legislative Top Cops for January 2020. First Precinct Police Officers Melanie Matassa and Emily Slack.

On December 21st, 2019, at approximately 3:30 a.m., a resident was waiting in his vehicle at the Wantagh Train Station when a male subject approached the resident and displayed a handgun, threatened the victim, and fled with the victim's wallet, cell phone, and vehicle.

On January 2nd, the same male armed with a handgun threatened a second victim in a parking lot in Bellmore, forced the victim to exit his vehicle at gunpoint. The subject then demanded the victim's wallet and cell phone and the subject then fled in the victim's vehicle.

During the canvass for the subject, Police Officer Matassa located him in the back streets of Bellmore.

Officer Matassa attempted to
conduct a detailed stop at which time the subject fled.

Officer Matassa then made a radio notification advising the other officers of the subject's direction of flight.

Within moments of hearing the notification, Police Officer Slack observed the said vehicle. When Officer Slack attempted to stop the vehicle the subject then lost control and crashed.

Police Officer Slack swiftly exited her vehicle and engaged the subject who was violently resisting arrest.

Officer Slack with the assistance of other First Precinct police officers was able to eventually subdue and handcuff the subject.

The subject was charged with four counts of robbery, criminal possession of a weapon, assault second degree, and resisting arrest.

This arrest led to two other robbery cases being closed out.

Due to their vigilance and
bravery, Officers Matassa and Slack were able to apprehend a dangerous criminal and take him off the streets. Because of that we are proud to name them as legislative top cops for January 2020.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: Good afternoon. As many of you know, I live in Wantagh and one of those robberies was outside of Mulcahy's. My son was working there that evening when it happened. He walked out the door ten minutes before the robbery went down. He could have been that victim.

The work that they do, the bravery that they've shown, the chase that went the wrong side on the parkway, and we had one of our officers involved in an accident, injuries that occurred, it goes to show you the bravery of the men and women of the Nassau County Police Department and I emphasize the women as you're standing to the two bravest I have seen so far.

I got into a foot chase several months back, and I was running through yards
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going fence to fence this young officer was
standing side by side and going over those
fences with me.

I'm proud of both of them and I
commend them and I thank you again for your
support that you give them. Thank you.

POLICE OFFICER MATASSA: I just
want to say on behalf of myself, Officer
Slack and First Precinct, I just want to say
thank you for acknowledging our great effort
to the County Legislature, PBA President
McDermott, Commissioner Ryder. Thank you.
I'm very proud to wear this uniform.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I find it a
little difficult to believe you were keeping
up with the young officers.

Legislator Rhoads.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I will also
say that the opportunity to capture you
jumping over fences probably is the single
best argument I've heard for body cameras.
Just kidding.
But even though I'm the
legislator for the Wantagh-Bellmore area, I
know I speak on behalf the every single legislator when I tell you, Officers Slack and Matassa, how proud we are of your efforts on that evening.

As a resident of Bellmore one of our greatest fears is that there's somebody out there with a weapon.

One of the greatest fears that anybody has anywhere is that there is someone out there with a weapon looking to do harm, and in this case actually did.

We always speak about the dedication and bravery of our police officers and what you did was emblematic of that. How you put your lives on the line knowing the risk every single day at a moment's notice you're willing to take that risk to make sure we are protected as residents.

You knew full well what those individuals were capable of. You knew in all likelihood that they were armed but you decided to intercept them anyway to recognize, to intercept, to pursue and
ultimately capture and take that criminal off the streets.

We are so very proud and thankful, proud of you and thankful of you and all the members of the Nassau County Police Department to keep us safe.

I can actually say, and it was my question to Commissioner Ryder that this particular criminal, I'm happy to report, actually was kept in custody on bail, which seems to be a rarity nowadays.

But thank you so much for everything that you have done for us and thank you to all of Nassau County's police officers for what you do for us every day. Congratulations and God bless you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I will invite you up to take a presentation with the legislators in a moment but first we are going to have at SOA and DAI.

The next presentation is actually combined presentation for leaders of our Detectives Association, Inc. and Superior Officers. We have President John Wighaus
and President Kevin Black.

PRESIDENT BLACK: Good afternoon.

First I would like to thank the members of the Legislature on a monthly basis honoring the members of the Nassau County Police Department.

The case I'm here to talk about is Detective Sergeant Scott Bertini of the Nassau County narcotics bureau as well as the Long Island Heroin Task Force.

This case started in April of 2019 when members of the task force were able to secure a confidential informant who was able to purchase heroin from a dealer in Brooklyn who had a major customer base in Nassau County. Among those were several overdoses.

From April through June, the LIHTF, the task force, I'm just going to say task force because I get tongue tied, was able to secure several control buys into the target. The buys took place in Howard Beach but the information was that he was also dealing in East New York and Nassau County.
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The case was conferenced with the Nassau County District Attorneys. It was determined the best investigative tool to use was to use a title three telephone intercept.

On July 26th of last year they began their investigation using the telephone intercept. Throughout the investigation 18 customers/redistributors were arrested during the investigation. They secured additional information and identified approximately 55 customers who were both users and redistributors.

It was determined to take down the subjects, the main targets, on December 13. They had indictment arrest warrants for 14 individuals, search warrants for 13 locations and three vehicles.

Careful planning was needed to orchestrate this type of operation and two main targets were in separate locations which made it even more difficult.

At the end of the day, all the main targets were in custody plus six others
that were charged with conspiracy. Over five kilograms of heroin and $1.4 million in US currency was seized. Four people arrested including one from Nassau were charged with A1 felonies, the highest drug felony you can give a trafficker. The district attorney is calling this the largest heroin seizure in Nassau County history.

I want to point out that the task force has members of the DAI who work in our narcotics unit under Detective Sergeant Bertini as well as members of the Suffolk County Police Department, the state police, and, in this case, because of the overall scope of it, federal authorities were used. So this is definitely an exceptional example of interagency cooperation.

Thank you.

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: I would like to thank the Full Legislative Body for recognizing our detectives today but due to the sensitive nature of their assignment
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they can't be here to accept the award. We
don't let them come out in public forums
taking pictures obviously.

But, like Kevin just said, you
heard the work that these detectives are
doing out there. Fortunately you only hear
about ten percent of the work that is done
in the narcotics bureau because of the
assignments that are done they aren't in the
newspaper or aren't on the TV. I thank you
again for honoring them. They can't be here
today but thank you again.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: Two years
ago we started the Long Island Heroin Task
Force. We started that under Operation
Natalie.

The first year in their existence
we reduced overdoses by 25 percent. Last
year another ten percent. Our overdose
death numbers are also going down this year
which we won't see until finalized by the
ME.

But, again, it's the dedication
and hard work, cooperating with other
agencies, the coordination that goes on.

Scott Bertini and his guys do an
outstanding job. That's why there are more
kids alive today than there were two years
ago because of the overdoses. Again, I want
to thank them for their dedicated work and
we'll keep Operation Natalie going. Thank
you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Alternate
Deputy Presiding Officer Ford.

LEGISLATOR FORD: On behalf of
the Legislature, I want to thank you for
your persistence and great detective work in
helping to rid our neighborhoods of these
deadly drugs and the rest of these
traffickers and dealers. And all of this
obviously in less than a year.

Unbelievable great police work, I
have to say in collaboration. And this is
the result actually of the experience of our
officers and their superiors and we are
blessed to have you putting yourselves on
the line each and every day.

I can't say enough and the
thought that you obviously did save some
people's lives says it all.

Keep up the good work. Stay safe
each and every single one of you and thank
you once again.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Also, please
let the detectives know we are tremendously
grateful and proud of their work. We
understand they cannot be here for obvious
reasons but they should know that even that
they were undercover, all of us in county
government and all of the residents are
truly mindful of all the things that they do
and sacrifices they make. Thank you. Would
you, please?

MR. BLACK: We will pass your
comments on.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: We invite
you up now for a presentation.

This is the public comment
portion of our meeting.

We have changed the rules
slightly. The public comment portion
speakers will have up to five minutes to
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give their remarks on their items. You
don't have to take five minutes but you can.

Our first speaker is the

president of the Nassau County CSEA Jerry
Laricchiuta.

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Thank you,

Majority Leader Nicolello. Honorable

legislators, thank you on both sides for
giving us the opportunity to bring

something very important to everyone's

attention.

I really believe this might be

one of the most important issues that we

have spoken about in many years.

I'm talking about the future of

our one and only public hospital and long

term care center, A. Holly Patterson, NUMC

and what's going on.

Basically what's happening in the

large picture is that they are being taken

over pretty much.

There is a 21 statement of works

which they tell me means contracts, I never

heard of that before, between Northwell
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Health Care Systems and NUMC.

These statement of works basically give Northwell the right to look into every piece of operation at our hospital, our only public hospital, and then have strategic planning meetings about what we are going to do about the hospital in the future.

So I'm going to tell you right now. I'm going to play Nostradamus. I've done this before when they hired Armor Health Care at the jail, I said, we'll be getting rid of them in a few years and I listed a few reasons I'd rather not repeat today and they all came true.

I'm telling you right now, if we don't intervene here, you, as a legislative body, we will no longer have a public hospital in two years, maybe three at best, because the strategic planning of this health care system is going to be to take the parts that make money, and I can give you some examples, dialysis -- well, let me tell you what's happened so far.
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Already we have lost level one trauma for pediatrics, that happened a little over a year and a half ago because the health care system refuses to pay $500,000 a year for a pediatric neurosurgeon.

So, right now, God forbid a child in East Meadow or Merrick or Uniondale gets hurt and needs level one trauma care, they have to drive past our hospital, the public hospital of Nassau County. What the hell is going on in this county and who is behind this?

Northwell is not big enough?

They already have 60 percent of every bed in Long Island in Nassau County. They should not be commingling private sector health care with public sector health care. Yes, our hospital is losing money.

You know why one of the reasons is that they're losing money? Nassau County owes them $30 million.

I asked, when are you going to pay that? They said, never.
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They are not paying the $30 million because it came from the previous administration.

I don't even know this if they are still paying for the health care we are offering at the jail because they don't like that deal.

So, let me give you an example. Here's the future plan. If you ask me how I know this, I will tell that you board members have told me the former CEO, and I want to thank this moment to thank the former CEO, George Tunis, George and I have had our issues, we fought like hell, but that's what we're supposed to do. But, at the end of the day, he recognized the need for a fair contract. We got a fair contract, despite a lot of opposition from a lot of different areas.

I give him credit for sticking to his guns, signing that agreement, and getting it passed by the board at that time. The makeup of the board is different today. We would not get that
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contract passed today.

There's been three new additions by to it by this administration upstairs and they were not happy with the contract.

So, when Peter Schmitt told me 12 years ago if you have a problem with the hospital go back to the hospital, it's not our purview. Those days are over. It's now directly your purview.

Everything about what's happening there is going to affect all your constituents and my members.

So, dialysis that's going bye-bye. How do I know that? A board member told me that.

OBGYN, gone. Where is it going? South Nassau Hospital who just built a $57 million super duper OBGYN state of the art place. That's going to go. Why? Because 30 percent of the babies being born in Nassau University Medical Center is down 30 percent.

We're down 30,000 emergency room entries too because they're all going to
Northwell.

Northwell, I told you this two years ago. They monitor our 911 system. They beat us to the call. You have insurance, yes, we'll take you.

You don't have insurance, there will be another one in a minute. We'll get you over to NUMC. This is serious stuff.

So here's the issue. We're going to lose level one trauma. Understand what I'm saying to you right now. You can't afford to lose level one trauma. We can't afford it. Your constituents can't afford that.

Everybody I spoke to knows somebody. Either a friend or family member that was rushed there to that hospital under a level one trauma situation and mostly saved.

Police officers that were wounded while working and doing their job to protect us were brought there and their lives were saved.

We lose level one trauma, they're
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going to have to pass us up again. It's happening. It's happening, legislators, it's going to happen. Trust me.

What I'm asking you to do today -- one other thing. There's so many things I could go into. We now have NIFA, up to 20 years, where were they for 20 years? All of a sudden, by the way, we get a contract that doesn't include five zeros and they want to take over.

They're having a meeting tomorrow night. We are going to meet Mr. Barski at his meeting and we're going to tell him where to go. I'm kind of sick of Barski and company after 20 years of being in this county, time for them to take a hike, quite frankly, the out of control control board.

How do you go from not even looking at the hospital for over 20 years to all of a sudden being a control board? Is that what they plan on doing tomorrow night? Are we going to allow that? That's insane.

At the direction of who by the way? Is there a direction by this county
for NIFA? I think that's illegal.

I hate to say it from Washington

I heard this word collusion. I don't know.

I think it's illegal to have somebody direct

an unelected state appointed board to

oversee something if things happen the way

they don't like it.

I fear no one. I respect

everybody up here. So I'm saying what's on

my mind to protect my members.

There is a lot of people that

wouldn't be saying what I'm saying right

now.

But I'm saying to you because I

want you to know the truth.

Here's the thing that's the

truth. We have a cap that cost us a

million, $2 million, it happened under

Gianelli. He wanted to get the Cath lab

going. That means if you have a heart

attack, you could be brought to a hospital.

We can perform all kinds of cardiac care,

emergency treatment. We can give you the

stent. The only thing we couldn't do I
believe was open heart surgery. But we can
save your life. We do hundreds of -- it
could be tens of millions of dollars a year
in preventive cardiac care.

I had it done. I had to go to
Winthrop years ago. They do angioplasty,
right? They do 20 to 30 a day. Each one is
between 20 and $30,000.

We have the cath lab sitting
there for three years waiting for it to get
certified. I have been told for three
years, don’t worry, Northwell is working on
it. They’re going to get it certified.

Nobody can do it better than Northwell.

Guess what? Last Friday, the
determination from the state Department of
Health came out and guess who did get
certified? Nassau University Medical Center
who has the cath lab and is right in the
middle of the hub of Nassau County got
turned down by the state department of
health, but two Northwell hospitals got it.
It was Plainview and I’m going to forget the
second one. Just make it Plainview
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Northwell, and I believe it's an emergency room setting, not even a full hospital, and they are under Northwell. Am I making accusations? No. I'm giving you information.

Northwell is a great institution, a wonderful health care system. One of the best in the country but they're not public.

Where is the lady or woman going to go when I pass this hospital in two three years when I pass a 19th floor empty building? That's where we're heading. Maybe there will be a little building in the back, one of those satellite buildings, a community hospital, with no services other than you got a flu or virus who come in.

Where's the underinsured, uninsured? Our mission. Where are those folks going to get health care? Where are people going to go for psychiatric help? Where are they going to go for detox and drug rehab? Do you know any other hospitals around here that offer that on a daily basis like we do? We are a public hospital. That
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public mission must be saved.

I'm asking for you guys, the
legislators, to tell Northwell because
they're the ones that seem to be controlling
everything, they have a new chairman now,
Mr. Detour. Slow it down.

Where are these contracts? Why
aren't they public? Why aren't we able to
vet this out in the public eye? Why are
they being in a dark closet? 23 contracts
we don't know nothing about. And strategic
planning meetings. Why are we not involved
in that?

Why is it one or two people from
the NUMC and all of Northwell, they got like
five people on there are deciding our
future, a private vendor hospital is
deciding our future, we are not privy to the
information and we have no voice in the
outcome.

Doesn't that smell to everybody
here? Don't we need to slow this down?
That's all I'm asking.

With that, I want you to know one
other thing. Siela, this might be something that would be right in your backyard, A.

Holly Patterson which is part of the corporation, I have been told my whole life, the only green space left is the hub which we all know Mr. Reckler has got a billion dollar project going on there, I think for the better, and A. Holly, which had like a hundred something acres of land, nobody touched because it's sanctioned land, whoever gave it to us 100 years ago said it could only be used for health care purposes and for those people that need help financially. That's it. It could not be used by private developers.

Go by there right now and you will see like a hundred new condos built, high end stuff.

Not only did they not do it for health care, they took our parking spots. So now the people that work there and visit there and live there have nowhere to park, they have to get all wet and muddy and walk through mud while this company took
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over the -- it's a disgrace what's happening here, and I would like to know, all I'm asking for is if someone can give me a legal answer because nobody can, how this lease is of 99 years. They weren't able to sell it. Apparently under Ed Mangano's term, I'm not saying he had anything to do with it, but that's the time, in 2016, somehow they leased this property for 99 years and that gave them the ability to build these high end luxury condos. Disgraceful, that's what it is.

I ask people to slow down. I want that cath lab. We need that cath lab certified. I talked to all the important directors there. They said without that cath lab there we don't have a chance of surviving. We need to get that certified. I even spoke to Saint Francis Hospital. They were willing to come in there and run our cath lab at one point and people made a lot of noise behind the scenes and they ran.

I don't blame them. It's sad to
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Anyway, I thank you for your time. There's a meeting tomorrow night at NIFA. We don't know what their plan is. Obviously it's not a good one.

I'm sure they're going to go into executive session and come out -- I don't know if it can go to a control board. They haven't monitored us.

I don't know. They monitored Nassau County from '99 to 2011 and on March 23rd, 2011, declared a freeze. They then took over control. When did they ever monitor the hospital?

Five CEOs have come and gone since they have been in office. The only time they ever reacted to anything was when we finally got a contract that did not include a zero. It's a shameful act.

I'm asking for your help because quite frankly without help we don't have the ability to keep this from going forward.

It's going to be closed.

Thank you for your time.
LEGISLATOR FORD: Jerry, the meeting is seven o'clock, right?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Yes, tonight.

LEGISLATOR FORD: I'm going to be there. But do they still have the burn unit in NUMC?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: They are looking to get rid of the burn unit. We have all different receivers.

Burn unit was going to be offered to either Winthrop or Northwell. My latest tell was, and this is the reason. I'm telling you. I'm not making this up. We only had 83 cases last year. I don't care if you had five, we are still one of the best burn units in the country. My daughter was in there for 12 days when she was five years old. They saved her life.

This is the best burn unit around. We can not give this burn unit away to anyone. It's literally giving it away.

Picking apart our public hospital for the betterment of a private very wealthy health care system.
LEGISLATOR FORD: Do they still do the mammographies for women there?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: They do. That will stop. We still do that.

Where will the mom go when they take OBGY down? I don't know. This was said behind closed doors so I can't give up sources, but I was told that the discussion was, if we ever closed the hospital some day then the people that are under-insured and uninsured will have to all absorb it, Winthrop, Saint Joes, North Shore, Syosset.

Imagine living in Merrick or Uniondale and have to go to Syosset?

Listen, if you go to any one of those hospitals and it's a life or death, of course you are going to get saved, get helped and assisted, by law they have to.

But the day or minute you are stable, you are getting a ticket to get pulled out. Right now they go to us. I don't know where they're going to go when there is no us.

LEGISLATOR FORD: One other thing
that you said when you said Northwell monitoring the 911 calls --

MR. LARICCHIUTA: That's been going on for years now.

LEGISLATOR FORD: How do they monitor them?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: First, they get into the all the villages that have police forces, right, we all know that's tragic, and Commissioner Ryder was aware of that. He tried to work with us over the years as well as other police officials to keep the police medics in the villages, but Northwell got into them, all of them. There was a fee involved, $250,000, something, for them to get the contract in and that's how the village was lost.

Aside from that, if they have an ambulance somewhere around Merrick Avenue and Hempstead Turnpike, they have radios that they can now unscramble and hear 911 calls that we are spending $20 million a year to go with, and they beat us to the scene.
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Literally, I have been told, this is hearsay, but I believe it, they ask the patient, unless he is a level one trauma, if the person has like a bad head injury and he's all right, talking, what insurance do you have?

If he says I have none, we are going to keep an eye on you and they wait for our bus to get them. And this is a crying shame.

I have police medics that will testify to this. So if Northwell wants to sue me, they can, I have people ready to testify to it.

LEGISLATOR FORD: Thank you.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you, Deputy Presiding Officer.

Jerry, I also heard through the grapevine that they're talking about the hyperbaric chambers being another potential casualty of this.

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Yes, the hyperbaric chamber, let me say just one thing to you. It's unfair but it's their
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fault.

It's unfair to sit here and make definitive conclusions when I haven't yet read all the contracts and information but that's not our fault.

That's because they are prohibiting anybody from seeing these 23 agreements, but, yes, people that are in the know have said that the hyperbaric chambers along with the burn unit they go together in a lot of ways.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: They do for volunteer firemen.

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Right. And we would need a vascular neurosurgeon. They don't want to pay any of these doctors four or $500,000. But I understand the next CEO is looking for a lot more than that. We're going to find out what that's all about soon.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you, Jerry.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Good afternoon, Jerry. I guess what you're
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talking about here is the systematic or
dismantling of the public health care
system?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Yes, like
selling for parts.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: And you're
stating that there are a number of parks
that are about to be closed and therefore
that would create a justification for
closing the mainly hospital.

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Yes, the set up
is in place. First of all, they're using
Grant Thornton as one of their consultants.
We've been listening to Grant Thornton for
25 years. Grant Thornton has been closed in
that hospital for 25 years.

So when you say NIFA is, I
believe they're NIFA consultant or the
hospital's, but either one Grant Thornton
will recommend because we are losing
revenue.

We are losing revenue in so many
ways, number one, because the state cut back
a lot. The county does not match what the
state gives, where every other I believe they're supposed to match that money dollar for dollar, it's not just this administration. I don't think any County Executive, any administration has ever matched the district money, money that we get from the state for handling all patients, our mission is to take care of all patients regardless.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: So no prior administration has funded this, why should this administration?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Listen, I agree. I can't blame this administration but we're about to lose this public vendor, and I don't know if this administration could do it financially. We used to get the $13 million a year, but that was if you remember the tobacco money. We don't get that anymore.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: So you are asking this body since we have oversight over the hospital for us to conduct a hearing; is that what you're saying?
MR. LARICCHIUTA: Yes, I would like some information on where they're getting -- who gave Northwell the right to basically -- you talk about the fox guarding the hen house, this is the fox running the hen house.

Please I don't want to hear about the CEO -- this is a social injustice. This is not a social justice. This is what I was told. They're only helping us for social justice. They're getting a lot of money in state grants.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: I would like to look into this. These 23 statements of work, how can I get some information?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: We foiled them, we are waiting, told us we had to wait at least 25 days, but then the new chairman told me last Friday I could have them. So I'm going to remind him.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Which legal entity did you foil, please?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: We foiled for the statement of works and the strategic
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planning. There's a board motion right now
that says -- right now there's a board
motion in place that they did either last
Thursday that says they will not initiate
the statement of works until public review.
I don't believe that's going to happen
because they are going to override it.

And they will not have any more
strategic planning meetings without public
input and public review. That would be with
you guys and us.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: The last
point you mentioned about the facility that
now has condos, you referenced my colleague,
Legislator Bynoe, which district is that?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Uniondale. Who
is it Kevan?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: District
one.

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Mr. Kevan,
Minority Leader.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: That's a
pilot program?

MR. LARICCHIUTA: Pilot. And
they are getting IDA tax breaks so I plan on seeing if I can get to that board at some point as well. All we want is a parking lot. At this point we are not going to get the houses knocked down. We know that. They should be for health care and should be affordable housing. I don't believe either of those issues are being met. At least give us a parking lot that you took away when you built that housing.

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Again, I'm representing a community that looks to the medical center for many purposes and services. I'm deeply concerned about some of the statements made here today and we will be following up and I thank you for coming today and presenting this information.

MR. LARICCHIUTA: I can't thank you enough. Let's hope we can save this place. It's very important. It's part of Nassau County history, our heritage, and we want to see it in another 70 years. Thank you.
CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you, Jerry. Linda Lyons.

MS. LYONS: Good afternoon.

Firstly I want to congratulate those who have received awards today and thank them for their time and their care and their service to our community in Nassau County. My name is Linda Lyons. I live at Three West Park Drive in Old Bethpage.

As a 42 year old resident of Plainview Old Bethpage and a recently retired educator after 28 years within the same school district, I have been an active participant in PTA and an advocate in our community even before the days of RAGE, Residents Against Garage Expansion.

Initiating the sidewalks on Haypath Road, approaching Haypath Park, as well as the concern for the installation of the traffic light at the intersection of Haypath Road and Round Swamp Road just to name a few past endeavors.

I'm here today to speak with you this afternoon to continue to discuss two
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very treacherous safety issues in our community.

We are extremely concerned and frightened regarding the ongoing furious danger at the turn from the entrance of Round Swamp Road when traveling west on Old Country Road.

Sadly as you know there was already at least one traffic death at this location and I recently learned of a second death.

As many of you already know this turn is dangerously difficult to navigate particularly due to the curb in the design of the island and the fact that it is extremely difficult to ascertain which lane is entering Round Swamp Road and which is the entry on to the opposite road on to Old Country Road.

Even long time community members who have been using this entrance and exit for many years on a regular basis, find this intersection to be challenging and difficult to navigate especially at night.
Compounding these issues is the fact that the intersection will likely be more heavily traveled when the country point community is completed at full occupancy and a back entrance gate is installed.

Both of these issues contribute to making this a most difficult and dangerous situation just waiting for another tragedy.

In addition to local residents, the intersection also endangers all visitors to the Old Bethpage Restoration and the Museum of Armor. It is the most direct and expeditious route when exiting the LIE and Northern State Parkway to both of these venues.

In recent years, as you know, there have been many more evening events, Halloween, Christmas, et cetera, than ever before. At the very least, as a partial and temporary solution, is the suggestion of much more direct lighting on the island and the road enhancing the exit and entrance to avoid the dreaded and deadly head on crash
or another spin out that we fear in our Old Bethpage community.

In addition, the need for flashing lights, fluorescent signs and markers are extremely crucial.

It is important to know the site I'm speaking of is approximately one to one and a half miles from Matlin Middle School and our high school where, as you know, numerous evening activities take place on a daily basis. Many students and parents use this route to and from the school.

Additionally, the actual curve in the design of the island needs to be reexamined.

It just baffles our minds that Round Swamp Road was just recently repaved, new sidewalks were installed, all in advance of the completion of Country Point.

New traffic lights were also installed but, to date, these very real safety concerns have not yet been addressed.

I must tell you that I recently heard and I am horrified to repeat the
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following scenario:

During a recent nighttime rainstorm, a vehicle traveling west on Old Country Road approaching the left turn signal to Round Swamp Road actually entered the exit from Round Swamp Road onto Old Country Road eastbound.

Closely behind that car a second car directly followed the first vehicle.

Thank God no one was exiting from Round Swamp at the same time. This very possibly could have been the perfect storm to a double head on collision.

I fiercely urge each of you very cautiously approach this intersection late at night particularly when it is raining to understand the nature and severity of this life or death safety concern.

The other major concern for our community is on Haypath Road at the crossing of the biking and hiking path. There are presently no flashing warning lights for drivers as those that have been installed on Old Country Road and Old Bethpage Road where
bikers are crossing.

Unfortunately Haypath Road has become much more heavily trafficked in recent years. It is used by many commercial vehicles and trucks as they route to Spagnoli Road and Route 110.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Ms. Lyons, can you wrap it up?

MS. LYONS: I'm done. Bikers often cross Haypath Road without slowing down or looking before entering the road. Believe it or not we have seen families biking and individuals with strollers putting themselves at grave risk. Although there are stop signs, because there is a hill, there is a minimal line for drivers to see pedestrians and bikers when they don't observe the same stop signs.

Additionally, the shrubs and trees that border the trail affect the visibility as the car approaches.

It is our hope that our community can be proactive by installing flashing lights that are activated by moment to avert
any further tragedy.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today. We look forward to meeting with you for continued dialogue towards a collaborative solution towards a resolution for these major safety issues.

I'm done.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Legislator Drucker.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you, Linda, for coming down here. I know you've spoken to my office about these particular sites, these locations.

I live in the community and I shared with you they are dangerous. I, myself, have turned down that side and thankfully my wife was the best back seat driver in the world. She alerted me I was turning into the oncoming lane.

There is definitely a need for some enhanced traffic regulations. I've alerted DPW about this situation based on your comments and the comments of others in the community.
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We are working on it. They are working on it. I will stay on top of it for you and the community and let you know what's going to be happening, but definitely enhancements are definitely needed.

MS. LYONS: Perhaps someone can answer for me how Round Swamp Road was repaved and had new sidewalks installed with this danger still existing? It's been there for years. I have been here for 42 years and it hasn't changed.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: We will look into it, Linda.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Pete

MR. GAFFNEY: Pete Gaffney, resident of Westbury Carle Place School District.

Happy New Year everyone and a healthy one. Carle Place on Westbury area at the underpass of Meadowbrook Parkway, Nassau County is responsible for cleaning up their property. Usually when contacted, the county will only clean up five linear feet of the property neglecting the balance.
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It's a real safety issue for someone who is walking especially when the vegetation is overgrown. You never know who is going to jump out. Across the street is rarely cleaned if ever by the county.

The Nassau County Public Work, they have been contacted many times and the latest was on Monday January 15th regarding the garage dump on Westbury Avenue directly underneath the Meadowbrook Parkway.

Another time at the site I happen to meet and spoke to a worker, a county worker who agreed that the garage was in fact on county property.

He called his boss right there and told him about the garage. Nothing has been done. It's been this way for a long time and it's to create a safe area to the residents.

What I've done is taken some pictures of it and you look at the actual garage dump. This is for all of you to look at. The first picture shows a shopping cart. Usually there's a second one there.
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because that's a homeless person's property that it goes to and that comes and goes periodically. The only thing missing from these pictures is the kitchen sink. We have the bathroom sink here that's right on the ground.

This is for you to review. Maybe we can get it resolved. I have been trying to do it for a long time.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: When you are finished, give the pictures to the clerk.

MR. GAFFNEY: Second safety issue is the third track project. The MTA and Long Island Railroad and 3TC bridge replacement on Glen Cove Road, basically Glen Cove Road we all know is one of the Nassau County's busiest roads.

Westbury Avenue in Carle Place is a short distance from the proposed work area. When the traffic backs up on Glen Cove Road, and it will, I actually have wrote and also asked the MTA and Long Island Railroad how is it going to prevent safely sale our additional traffic on Westbury
Avenue, all because of an impatient driver who is heading to the mall or some other business, they're going to look to do a cut through on narrow Westbury Avenue.

The email response that I got was throughout the month of January 2020 construction crews are to install and support of excavation SOE, tie backs and excavate to build and restorate abutments. As a result, the west side sidewalk will be closed. One southbound lane will be closed to traffic for approximately two months.

For the traffic shift on Glen Cove Road, maintenance and protection of traffic plan, an MPT and works on traffic control plan, WTCP, has been reviewed by AHJ which is in this case Nassau County.

We are continuing to canvass the surrounding area notifying constituents of what's to come.

It appears to me that basically the MTA and Long Island Railroad and 3TC are at it again.

What I would like to do again is
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show you some pictures much Glen Cove Road they were taken yesterday. They removed handicapped signage, notice the work across the east side of Glen Cove Road not mentioned.

The past experience with the MTA, Long Island Railroad, and 3TC regarding their Cherry Lane Bridge replacement traffic mitigation was a disaster.

Fortunately, local residents and commuters and children who walk to school were not injured. We are still dealing with workers legally removing no parking, no standing signs, on Cherry Lane. Several are still missing.

There is no really traffic plan or plans that have been shared with our community outside of closing one lane for two months. Maybe Mineola got one, I don't know.

Since you have approval of Nassau County, how is the traffic safety plan going to affect the residents of Carle Place and Westbury.
The Long Island Railroad's final environmental statement have plans for digging up and replacing water and sewer lines on Glen Cove Road. My question is, is that still occurring? And if it is will the digging up of Glen Cove Road occur during the proposed bridge replacement from January to May time line?

One additional note regarding the Meadowbrook Bridge addition to this March, will that construction affect anything in Carle Place for the Westbury Avenue?

I look forward to answers to my questions. And just on one side note with the police, just thank you for your service and be safe out there and I got ten bucks if anybody got a picture of Commissioner Ryder going over a six foot fence. Thank you very much.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Mr. Gaffney, hi, how are you? I know we spoke briefly before but just so I can say it publicly, as far as that space goes underneath the Meadowbrook Parkway, I know you've sent us
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emails for quite a while now trying to deal with that. It's disgusting I agree and it needs to be cleaned up.

It's my understanding of it that the county's right of way has been maintained and the state has not.

As I said to you, we finally spoke to the commissioner and finally have someone from the state that's going to come. They're all going to go down there together and designate what is what.

My understanding is that space that area you're talking about is the state's. I guess they didn't want to acknowledge it or I guess we're going to find out really.

My belief is that it is the state's which is why the county has been fighting about going down and having to maintain it.

Once that's taken care of we will certainly let you know and we will tell you what happened at that meeting. I would like to know, I'm tired of looking at it when I
drive by there. I certainly know your level of frustration with it. It needs to be maintained and taken care of on a regular basis.

I think in all honesty, I think there shouldn't be a cut through in there. I don't think that's really necessary. I don't think it's a place for a cut through otherwise there wouldn't be a fence that's supposed to be blocking it.

So we will see what happens but it is definitely going to be addressed.

MR. GAFFNEY: Thank you. I will give you pictures on both.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Richard Clolery.

MR. CLOLERY: To the members of the Legislature. A new year has come to us all. I'm hoping that maybe there is hope in the age of climate change and that maybe there will be discussing some efforts for increased funding on our end for buses and the restoring of routes that were cut.

But that's not why I'm here
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today. I'm here to complain about two other things, which is, one, a couple of months ago, the department of roads decided to replace the single bus that allows us to safely cross Hempstead Turnpike on foot. This is all well and good if it works. However, with the exception of Newbridge and Hempstead Turnpike for the most part it doesn't work.

What I mean by that is, as I travel up Newbridge Road on the right side I approach the corner of Hempstead Turnpike there are two switches, one allows that person when the light changes to safe;u cross Newbridge on the south side of the intersection of Newbridge and Hempstead, and one that does the same for those who wish to cross Hempstead Turnpike on the east side.

A few weeks ago, after the switches were installed, they froze and failed to work. Do you know what means? It means that those people who have to use these crosswalks are inadvertently crossing against the stop signal and putting their
lives in the drivers' hands.

The worst part is that ever since those single buttons have been frozen, no one has checked on them to be fixed. Why is that?

Also, another thing, for the longest time, whenever I check the meeting schedule, the one thing that I've noticed is that there is no date for when the budget meeting is supposed to be.

So how can I as a concerned citizen participate in the budget process if I don't know when it is? Explain to me how that works.

I, as a concerned citizen, am encouraging you the Legislature to fix these problems and also find the time to discuss a significant increase for the buses. That is all.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

MR. CLOLERY: Anybody here want to say anything? Good day then.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Karen Montalbano.
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MS. MONTALBANO: Good afternoon.

I'm Karen Montalbano. I'm the vice president of the Baldwin Historical Society.

I'm here to talk about the Kellogg House which many people may not realize what it is.

It was the house that was preserved and saved across the street from the First Precinct on Harrison Avenue in Baldwin.

When the house was preserved and it belongs to Nassau County, we were told that nothing would happen to the house until after the opening of the First Precinct. That happened at the end of January 2017.

Then, in 2017, we were able to get that house listed on the National Historic Register and New York Historic Register. It's the only historic building registered in the hamlet of Baldwin. This is an important thing. We have been waiting for the house to be restored.

Over the summer, I was very happy to see there was work being done, the roof...
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was being addressed, and the gutters were
being put in, et cetera.

I was told by our legislator that
the house would be painted on the outside by
the end the summer.

This would have been a great
boost to our neighborhood because
unfortunately the house doesn't look good.
It needs a good coat of paint. Somehow that
didn't happen.

We are waiting for something to
happen and you take care of your property
here on this corner.

We been told that there is money
that has been budgeted in the budget. I
want to make sure that that money stays in
the budget and is being used to address not
only the exterior of the house but the
interior.

The house was promised to us to
be used for the community by a prior
administration.

We are right in the middle of our
downtown revitalization initiation grant.
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This is an important part of making our downtown look nice. We have a beautiful new precinct right across the street and this property just doesn't look well and it needs cleaning and it needs to be figured out what to do with it.

I'm here to ask you to please keep in mind, as you move into this year to make sure you are working on this house, making sure the community has input into it, make sure the community has use of it because it is a national historic registered property and we should be proud of it. The more you neglect the work on it the more you have to invest in it. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Mule.

LEGISLATOR MULE: Yes, Karen, you and I have spoken about this property numerous times and you know it's a high priority for me.

We were able to get the money into the capital project's budget so it is there. You were told that it would be
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Painted because I was told it was, and I'm just as disappointed as you are that it has not happened yet.

I'm continuing to work very closely with the parks department because that's the department it is currently housed under to make sure that work continues to move forward.

As we discussed, that property will move into the Smith and DeGroat portfolio and there will be nonprofits to provide the rent money with the idea that we will be able to carve out some space for community use.

That is the plan going forward and I'm very pleased that the money is there to make sure that that happens.

I'm just as anxious as you are to see it all happen.

MS. MONTALBANO: Thank you. I know we have had this discussion and sometimes I know things get rerouted along the way I would really not like to see our community as it's being revitalized -- we
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have the zoning overlay coming in, we have the DRI, so many things going on. This is one little thing that the county has that would really make a difference in how our community appears.

Also I will say and I know I've offered this and it's been turned down for a number of reasons, the community stands to work with you on this project. We are here and we want to do this and we want to see this. So if there is anything we can do please call on us.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Meta J. Mereday.

MS. MEREDAY: Meta J. Mereday, Baldwin resident. I concur with Ms. Montalbano about the needs for the Baldwin residents and we need to see some real action with regard to the Kellogg House.

First and foremost I do want to acknowledge public safety and their work to make sure that residents who can come to these sessions actually have parking and
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don't have to catch a bus to get across these interesting roads that do need to be repaired. So I do want to acknowledge the this Legislature has made and those officers that are insuring that residents do have access what is labeled as visitor's parking.

Secondly, I wanted to concur with the statements made by Mr. Larrichiuta and to offer a possible solution with the thought that unless we go big we will all go home, or we will have additional people going homeless or have those who are underinsured not have the ability to get what they need.

I, for one, have utilized the Nassau University Medical Center when it was Nassau Medical Hospital, when it was Meadowbrook Hospital, et cetera, I have files there that could probably fill their own room. So it's important for me to do something that's very proactive with regard to that.

Here's a suggestion that maybe someone who is watching, someone who is
listening might catch on and I did mention it to Mr. Larrichiuta and he was very interested in the possibility of looking into having portions of the unused space within the medical center utilized for expanded veteran services.

Because, again, Nassau County is one of the largest counties in the country that doesn't have its own dedicated facility and much of the upgrades at the hospital can be incorporated or I guess shared with veteran services so that our veterans and their family members would not have to traipse out to Northport or call the Disabled American Veterans 14 days ahead if they have an appointment, things of that nature.

Again, just a thought, in considering there have been upgrades in the medical care advance appropriation to the VA to the tune of $220 billion, I would think that since we pay the second highest taxes in the country we should be able to get some of these funds to actually do something for
our facility in our county for our nation's best.

I also want to give a quick shout out to boots on the ground. I had the opportunity yesterday to be Frank and the team out in Patchogue where we worked together with all ages, all organizations, and an interesting group of Boy Scouts who were very hard working to put together over 2,500 UPS postal service boxes for our troops. I believe they are going directly to the 82nd airborne.

I do want to make sure you all know I don't just spend my time coming here to beg for legislation and funding to support our veterans at home and abroad. I'm actually out there doing the work. Hopefully you all did got a sticker, I wanted to make sure you all got those as well, to support the efforts of our local support organizations who always need the resources including time as well as money.

Lastly, I do want to address the cost for a number of our older veterans and
residents who are trying to do some things to, one, protect their homes and investments, and the growing cost that has been attributed I guess to budget -- to address some of the costs for residents has become very unwielding. Many of our residents are trying to set up their homes possibly into trusts and things of that nature, I don't know if any of you had any recent real estate transactions. Those costs are very high and it becomes very unwielding for them to do so.

I'm hoping that as we move forward look possibly at a pilot program, because I think if you find if you bring those costs down, you might get more people interested in actually utilizing those services so again so they can protect their vital assets which are their homes.

In closing, I would just hope that in reading in Newsday about shared services between our county townships, villages, and other municipalities, I'm hoping that we can also look at a stronger
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return on investments to actual residents as we are putting these costs out to pay because we pay county taxes, town taxes, and school taxes and residents are continuing to leave in droves because they are not receiving the services that they need to do what they need to do here.

And since I have ten seconds, I promised the police commissioner I would try and stay on time, I'm hoping that in the budgets for the diverse business organizations that you increase the equity as well as diversity and inclusion. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you Richard Schuron.

MR. SHURON: Hi. My name is Richard Schuron. I'm a resident of the Town of Harbor Isle within Island Park.

I'm speaking today about the Nassau proposed settlement with LIPA concerning the power plant in my community. This power plant is the largest, oldest, and most polluting power plant in
Nassau County by far.

It produces ten times the level of pollution as modern plants, for example, in Yaphank. This settlement will raise the taxes in my community, the school taxes 50 percent. Thousands and thousands of dollars 5,000, $10,000.

This is not a small matter for a community that has been devastated by Sandy and is a working class middle class community that certainly cannot afford a $5,000 to $10,000 increase in their school taxes.

The settlement that Nassau negotiated with LIPA is an extremely bad deal. It's a horrible deal for Island Park and also a bad deal for other Nassau residents.

It moots the lawsuit that my community paid for, my school district paid for. We spent over $100,000 fighting LIPA on a separate matter related to this, and, yes, we lost in the trial court but it's going to be in the appellate division.
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It moots that. It throws away hundreds of thousands of dollars that my community spent to try to avoid this result. It also moots important legislation that was proposed in Albany that passed in the senate that eliminated the refund obligation. That passed the senate and it was due to be introduced into the assembly next year. This will moot that. It throws that away. It's unnecessarily premature. There is no need for a settlement at this time. You can wait and give our community a chance to win on a case we paid for. Give our advocates in Albany a chance to pass legislation that will help us. It's completely premature and unnecessary. It also provides no additional benefits to the community. LIPA, when they have a power plant in a host community they typically offer a whole host of community benefit programs to that community. We get nothing. We get zero in this settlement. Nothing. For example,
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they give students in Yaphank $25,000 a year scholarships every single year. Millions of dollars go to the school board, go to the community there. This settlement gives us nothing.

It adds between five and $10,000 to our annual school tax bill and gives us nothing. It's a terrible deal. This board, it was announced in November, and my understanding is that it will come before this board for approval sometime in February or March.

I urge you to please vote it down. It will destroy my little community and it's not good for Nassau County residents.

I'm a democrat. I'm a very strong supporter of Laura Curran. I can't support her in this case. It's devastating to our community.

We had hundreds of people come out to a community meeting, Legislator Ford was there, she knows, and so many people spoke up just realizing how devastating this
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is going to be our to community.

I'm urge you, and it's not on the agenda for this meeting of course, but when it comes up, please vote no. Or, better yet, please don't put it on the agenda.

Tell LIPA no deal. It's not too late.

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Patty Harris.

MS. HARRIS: Good afternoon,

Today I would like to talk about the red light cameras in our neighborhood.

Legislator Kevan Abrahams, there is I think three red light cameras on Uniondale Avenue. There's Uniondale Avenue and Hempstead Turnpike and Uniondale Avenue and Jerusalem. And Uniondale Avenue and Nassau Road.

There's only one intersection that's on Hempstead Turnpike for Uniondale Avenue.
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It's when you come over from Charles Lindbergh and over and then there's Uniondale Avenue and Hempstead Turnpike, how come it wasn't picked a red light for California Avenue and Hempstead Avenue, and Oak Street and Hempstead Turnpike?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You are saying why don't we have one at the corner of Oak and Hempstead Turnpike?

MS. HARRIS: Yes.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: As we work with traffic safety, the department has the discretion to rotate the traffic lights as they see fit. The red light cameras that they see fit. They haven't seen a reason to rotate it from Hempstead Turnpike, Uniondale, Charles Lindbergh, Uniondale, or Hempstead Turnpike.

As you know that is a major thoroughfare for speeding. People that speed on that corridor of Hempstead Turnpike has been a big issue for a number of years.

I can speak to them about moving
it to Oak. I'm not too sure what that would exactly do.

MS. HARRIS: I would think you would get more red light tickets than you would on Uniondale because it's within the neighborhood. Hempstead Turnpike is not within the neighborhood. It has more traffic than Uniondale Avenue.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: The goal is not to generate tickets. I know that's what a lot of people believe because that's what the program does. But the goal of the program is to generate and ensure safety for people that utilize those thoroughfares whether they are pedestrians or motorists.

MS. HARRIS: I will quote you because did a quote. You did a meeting at Uniondale High School. You stated that you love red light cameras because it generates a lot of money for the school districts.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: First of all, I couldn't have said that, Patty, because it doesn't generate any money for the school districts.
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MS. HARRIS: You did say that.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You misinterpreted exactly what I said.

But if you feel that that's something I might have said or you said that I said, then so be it, we will agree to disagree.

MS. HARRIS: Then I apologize if I'm wrong.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Well, it doesn't generate any money for the school districts so I don't how I could have said that.

MS. HARRIS: So what would be the use of it?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You are talking about two different things. Maybe you're talking about speed cameras.

MS. HARRIS: What are the red light cameras?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: The red light cameras generate revenue for the county.

MS. HARRIS: What is on Uniondale
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Avenue, is it a red light?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: There is no jurisdiction in Nassau that has speed cameras. So when you probably heard me say that, there was a brief period in Nassau County history where there were speed cameras in Nassau County. They were located at Turtle Middle School.

MS. HARRIS: I'm not talking about Turtle. I'm talking Jerusalem and Uniondale Avenue.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So there is no speed cameras in that area.

MS. HARRIS: So the money that generate from that camera is not part of that county or it is?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: It is part of the county.

MS. HARRIS: So how much money are you generating on Uniondale Avenue than you are on Hempstead Turnpike and Uniondale Avenue in Uniondale?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: We can check and get those numbers. If you need
those numbers we can get those numbers in terms of what each location generates.

MS. HARRIS: I would think the location on Hempstead Turnpike should be added on to what you have already there. If it's not generating money and it's for safety then it should be at California Avenue and Hempstead Turnpike and Oak Street and Hempstead Turnpike.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But what I'm trying to say is that we need to demonstrate the argument for moving the camera for safety purposes to those locations.

MS. HARRIS: Okay. So you can do a study.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: That's what I'm saying. So we are right back to where we started. Basically the department, traffic safety has to take a look to determine whether or not it's warranted to move those cameras.

But they have strategically moved cameras throughout Nassau County. But we
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will take a look. We can do a study.

You're saying there's an enormous amount of accidents at the intersections of California and Hempstead Turnpike?

MS. HARRIS: And Oak Street. And I don't think at Uniondale Avenue, Jerusalem Avenue. I don't think there's as many accidents at Uniondale and Jerusalem. Now they're conditioned because the red light is there and Nassau Road maybe, okay? Thank you.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You got it.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Pearl Jacobs.

MS. JACOBS: Happy New Year to all. I would first like to begin by thanking the Nassau County Police Department under the leadership of Commissioner Patrick Ryder for their service and protection to the residents of Nassau County and for hearing and responding, and I emphasize the word "responding" to the issues brought forth by the residents of Uniondale. Thank you Nassau County Police Department.
Before I begin, I would like to quote Oprah Winfrey. "What I know for sure is speaking your truth is the most powerful tool that we all have."

As a community advocate I bring forth issues that are of most concern to Uniondale residents. At our most recent meeting of the Nostrand Garden Civic Association on January 6th, a community forum was held so that residents could voice their concerns and, as a community, we could discuss issues that continue to challenge the quality of life in Uniondale.

The top three issues discussed are as follows:

Lack of effective code enforcement, building and sanitation.

The deplorable condition of Uniondale's roads.

Blighted and abandoned lots that permeate Uniondale's landscape.

And several months ago there were emails back and forth between myself and Legislator Abrahams office and I also copied
in the County Executive regarding the deplorable condition of Jerusalem Avenue. Those emails went back and forth for a little while and then they suddenly stopped. There was no action taken at all and I haven't heard anything thus far.

As I drive through the various towns, villages and hamlets of Nassau County I see road improvements in Mineola, Old Country Road, Bellmore and Wantagh, Jerusalem Avenue, Freeport, Brookside Avenue, and several other locations.

Virtually every road in Uniondale has been excavated, dug up, cut up, and patched up leaving bumps, slopes, divots, uneven roads and holes that pose safety hazards for drivers and that cause damage to their front end suspensions and their tires.

PSE&G LI and Nat Grid have disregarded the Uniondale community by making substandard road repairs after excavating our roads.

The quality of restorative repairs made by PSEG LI and Nat Grid in
other communities are of a much higher standard than that of the repairs made in Uniondale.

I did speak to PSEG LI and Nat Grid management concerning the substandard quality of restorative road repairs as we in Uniondale refer to it, the patch jobs that were done.

I have previously requested representatives from Nassau County and the Town of Hempstead to come out and take a tour of Uniondale. I'm still waiting.

Front Street in Uniondale poses a serious health and safety issue as severe ponding occurs on this roadway. As a result of this severe ponding, I see slippery conditions are prevalent in the winter months and dirty standing water is prevalent in the summer months, a haven for mosquitos and various other insect larvae.

Front Street closely resembles a third world roadway. As Uniondale has long suffered from disinvestment, exclusion, red lining, and disenfranchisement, there is a
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lot of work in investment that needs to be
done to bring Uniondale to equivalent status
with that of the rest of Nassau County.

Residents are looking forward to
the start of the construction of the Nassau
Hub in Uniondale.

We are excited that this vibrant
venue will be a walkable destination for
Uniondale residents and a designation choice
for Nassau County residents and visitors
near and far.

It is our desire that the Hub
project will be a substantial success for
Nassau County.

It is also our hope that
Uniondale's residential neighborhoods will
be included in its vision and not be left
out as neglected and gang-greened appendage.

Further exclusion would only cast
a brighter light on the many disparities
that currently exist in Uniondale south of
Hempstead Turnpike.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you,
Pearl, for coming. I just want to respond
to one of the issues that you brought up.

Ken, do you mind coming up? I know Jerusalem Avenue has been an issue, been talked about obviously with the whole diversion and then obviously the repaving and now we are moving forward to resurfacing Jerusalem Avenue.

To our knowledge, is Jerusalem Avenue scheduled to be resurfaced as part of the capital plan that as we are moving on?

MR. ARNOLD: No. It does not need to be resurfaced. We've done the patching from the Barnes Avenue job. It is rideable. While there are patches there, not visually pleasing, the road dries fine with the exception of recent permit work that the utilities are doing.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: When will that recent permit work address what Mrs. Jacobs is talking about?

MR. ARNOLD: I need to go back to my office to see where PSEG or Nat Grid is on their work and when the final restoration of their patching will happen.
LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Just so we're clear, the permanent work that you are talking about Mr. Arnold, is that the same area that Mrs. Jacobs is talking about?

MR. ARNOLD: I know the permanent work, when I drove the road after the emails I received, is towards the east side of Jerusalem Avenue. That's where I saw it. If it might have moved further west, from that point, probably in a month or two.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: When you say east side, we're talking about down by Walmart?

MR. ARNOLD: Yes, where North Jerusalem connects to it. I think that location.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: And you are you're saying based on your drive, it extended a little bit west, maybe as far down as A. Holly?

MR. ARNOLD: I'm not sure. I know I saw PSEG doing work down on that end of Jerusalem Avenue and that's where I saw the condition needed to be addressed. The
permit work was ongoing. Until they finish and do final, there was no comment coming from my office.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Where is the area you're talking about, are you talking about the area Mr. Arnold is talking about?

MS. JACOBS: I'm referring to that overpass coming from Merrick going towards the Shoprite going towards the A. Holly Patterson site because that road was excavated. They put more sewage lines in there and going towards the Holly Patterson development site.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Sounds like we're talking about the same area?

MS. JACOBS: Exactly. The road is not driveable.

We make our way over it, but I have my residents here, is that road driveable?

MR. ARNOLD: I think we're talking two things here; one, is the restoration that was done as part of Barnes Avenue.
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That restoration is final and the department is of the opinion that it is complete and does not need my immediate work.

There's also utility work being done by others that I will ask my utility permit group to go out and make modifications and ask them to restore any poor patches. I think they do that on a continuous basis. I will have them look at it this week.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Ken, I'm looking at an email that's a correspondence, and Mrs. Jacobs is not on it, but it's a correspondence between our office and your office and it appears that it says that you're prepared to do, as part of the 2020 resurfacing, that Jerusalem would be included.

MR. ARNOLD: I think we said where and when, if there's any large areas to do, but the road itself was not going to be resurfaced. I don't believe -- that's not part of our program.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: When can
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folks anticipate that this permitted work will be completed and they would have a safe thoroughfare, I shouldn't say safe, a drivable thoroughfare that's not bumpy, when can we expect that?

MR. ARNOLD: I can reach out to PSEG and Nat Grid, depending on whose work it is, and find out. It is a challenge. As Legislator Rhoads knows on Merrick Road we had a similar issue and we pushed them along as hard as we could to get to a final point but we will reach out to them and speak to them.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Can we anticipate that Mrs. Jacobs, my office, as well as Michelle Darcy from our office is corresponded on your findings?

MR. ARNOLD: Yes.

MS. JACOBS: I do have a question. How is Nat Grid and PSEG allowed to leave these roads in such deplorable conditions? Is there monies set aside to restore these roads after the excavation is done? Where is the quality control? Where
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is the quality control for Nassau County? Does anyone come out and take a look at these roads after they're finished excavating and restored? Is there quality control from Nassau County?

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Ken, you can answer obviously but for further discussion, he can answer that. Take the rest of it off line.

MR. ARNOLD: We have permanent inspectors that cover the whole county and they do their best to cover all the different patches and stay on top of the repairs.

But there are patches that are temporary in nature and final in nature and my guys focus on the final patches to make sure they're restored so they hold up over the long term.

MS. JACOBS: These patches are atrocious, they're absolutely atrocious. I invited you on the email, Mr. Arnold, to come down and take a ride through Jerusalem Avenue, I was going to ride with you.
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I have some members from Friday civic association that we were going to ride with you and show you exactly what we were talking about, but that was ignored as well.

MR. ARNOLD: It wasn't ignored. I responded. There were some things that you said in your email which is why I did not respond to you directly.

MS. JACOBS: I always speak truth to power.

MR. ARNOLD: I disagree strongly to that.

MS. JACOBS: We can agree to disagree.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you. We are going to go to the business of the Legislature now. We have several appointees who are here. Thank you for your patience.

Item 17, Resolution Number 8.
It's a resolution to confirm the County Executive's appointment of Jeffrey Nogid to the Deferred Compensation Board.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
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moved.

LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton, seconded by Legislator Lafazan. That's before us.

Is Jeffrey here? Mr. Nogid?

MR. NOGID: Yes.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I didn't know if you wanted to say anything?

MR. NOGID: Nothing. I look forward to serving the Deferred Comp Board.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: A very smart way to do that. Anyone have any questions for Mr. Nogid?

(No verbal response.)

Thank you. Do we have any debate or discussion?

(No verbal response.)

All those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Those opposed?

(No verbal response.)

Carries unanimously.
Item 18, Resolution Number 9, and Item 19, Resolution Number 10. These are resolutions to confirm the County Executive's appointment of Habeeb Ahmed and Harry Malhotra to the Asian American Advisory Council pursuant to sections 203 and 2114 of the Nassau County Charter.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Second.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by Legislator Rose Walker and seconded by Legislator Gaylor. Those two are before the Legislature. Are either one of them here?

They are both here.

MR. AHMED: Good afternoon members of the Legislature. Thank you very much for the confidence that you have placed in me and I will try my best to serve Nassau County at the Asian-American agency.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Before we go to Mr. Malhotra, Mr. Habeeb has been a leader in the county for at least as long as I have been on the Legislature. And Legislator Muscarella, right after we were
first sworn in in 1996, Habeeb invited us to the Islamic Center of Long Island, a small structure located in Westbury and I believe almost the entire Legislature joined us. You were the president of the organization at that point and it has grown into a tremendous facility, a tremendous community, a tremendous congregation. We are lucky to have you.

MR. AHMED: Thank you.

MR. MALHOTRA: Good afternoon, sir. I just want to thank you for the opportunity and I'm looking forward to serving the community and the Asian Americans. I am grateful to Ms. Rose Walker for her confidence and in all of you. Thank you so much.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Walker.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you, Presiding Officer. I too want to thank Harry for all he does in our community, and my district is a very, very diverse community. Especially the Hicksville area
where Harry happens to live, his children go to school with my grandchildren.

Like I said, he and his wife are very very active in the community and I know he's going to bring a lot to the Asian Council that we established and I look forward to working with all of you.

I know they are going to look forward to working with all of you. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Any other legislators?

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you. Habeeb, it was a pleasure to work with you at the Human Rights Commission as a volunteer two administrations ago.

At that time the Human Rights Commission was going through some difficult times and you prevailed and you were very professional and in that capacity serving as a supervisor in that capacity over the human rights office.

So I'm sure in this you will also do a great job again and I look forward to
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working with you again. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Drucker.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Also I would like to add to the accolades to Habeeb. Since I have been on the Legislature I have been amazed at the work you do at the ICLI. You are a born leader and in addition you are a perfect ambassador for the South Asian community.

What you do day in and day out for that institution and you come to all the districts throughout Nassau County, and you bring your love and your knowledge and just your ability to bridge gaps among all ethnicities and religions. It's very, very impressive. I think we are blessed and fortunate to have you working with us.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you.

Anyone else? All in favor of the appointments signify by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Those opposed?

(No verbal response.)
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They carry unanimously.

Congratulations to both of you.

I'm going to call the consent calendar next. These are all items that went through committees two weeks ago.

It's been agreed by the majority and minority that no further debate or discussion needs to take place at this time.

Item 1, Ordinance 1; Item 2, Ordinance 2; Item 3, Ordinance 3; Item 4, Ordinance 4; Item 5, Ordinance 5; Item 6, Ordinance 6; Item 7, Ordinance 7; Item 8, Ordinance 8; Item 9, Ordinance 9; 10, Resolution 1; 12, Resolution 3; 13, Resolution 4; 15, Resolution 6; 16, Resolution 7; 20, Resolution 11; 21, Resolution 12; 22, Resolution 13; 23, Resolution 14.

LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So moved.

LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Second.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by Legislator Birnbaum, seconded by Legislator Kennedy.

Any debate or discussion?
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(No verbal response.)

All those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Those opposed?

(No verbal response.)

Those consent items carry unanimously.

(Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: I'm going to call Item 14 and, before I call it, I want to note for the record Presiding Officer Nicolello has recused himself he stepped out of the room. He will not take part in the debate or discussion of this item.

Number 14 is Resolution Number 5 of 2020 which authorizes the County Attorney to comprise and settle the claim of plaintiff in the case entitled AIG, subrogee of Alan Rosenbaum against Nassau County.

LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: So moved.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Second.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Moved by Legislator Kennedy and seconded by
Legislator Drucker.

MS. LYNCH: I'm only here to answer any questions if they should arise.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: And we already discussed this in executive session previously. Is every one satisfied?

(No verbal response.)

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Fine. In that case, all those in favor of this item please indicate by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Any opposed?

(No verbal response.)

The item passes 18 to zero.

Would somebody notify the Presiding Officer we're ready for him.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Item 11, Resolution Number 2, a resolution approving a memorandum of understanding between the county of Nassau and the county's Police Detective's Association Inc., and ratifying the act of the director of labor relations of the county and executing such memorandum of understanding.
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LEGISLATOR FORD: So moved.

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Second.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by Legislator Ford, seconded by Legislator Bynoe.

So this is the detective's contract. It's before the Legislature.

Do we have someone from the administration to make a presentation at this time?

MR. PERSICH: Good afternoon, Andy Persich. Office of management and budget. I'm here to discuss any fiscal questions you may have about the contract.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Are you going to speak about it?

MR. PERSICH: I think we have had extensive conversations with the office of Legislative Budget Review and we read the report and worked hand in hand with them explaining some of the assumptions we had in our savings and everything else and did very constructive work with them. I think it turned out to be a good product.
The one thing from the budgetary aspect is from my assumptions it doesn't cost me money until 2022. So that to me is a savings.

In the out years we are going out, but there are concessions. There is a lot of details in this deal that make it -- it fixes the problem that we had and it's cost beneficial in the same way but it's working for both sides is what I would say.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I believe the projection is that there would be additional detectives added, incentives have been built into the contract.

Was the cost of the additional detectives included in the cost estimates of the contract?

MR. PERSICH: They are included in my budgetary numbers so they were built into the base of the out years, so yes.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Just in terms of finance I have other questions for the administration later on.

But how were the five additional
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days calculated in terms of the savings?

MR. PERSICH: It was based on a

number of hours that we were going to be

getting, what's currently worth and what the

base number of hours they're going to be

giving back to us, so it was a calculated

method.

Without getting into a lot of
details, these are very extensive Excel

sheets, but in a nutshell that's really what

it was. It's the current hours they're
giving us based on the current hours that

they are working now.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: But there

has to be more that goes into it.

MR. PERSICH: There's a lot more

that goes into it. I mean there's a lot of
different assumptions.

I don't want to say it, but the

complex models that we sat and discussed

this, how we calculated the numbers, and

they're very extensive. It's almost

impossible for me to discuss what's in Xcel,
to go over, but they have assumptions, we
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have assumptions.

We kind of came pretty close to where we both landed as far as what the methodologies were. They used different modeling than we did but we all came to the same thing which is actually a good thing when you're doing financial modeling, so having had some experience here with that.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Assuming that you took some sort of average salary and factored that into that, correct?

MR. PERSICH: Absolutely, and it was based on averages and numbers and different assumptions for different things but it's a model.

It kind of was -- I hate to say, it is comforting to know that giving Maurice and his crew what we thought were our assumptions and him going off on an independent review of it and coming close to the actual savings was good.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Are there any questions at this time? Legislator Rhoads.
LEGISLATOR RHOADS: A couple of follow ups. Mr. Persich, could you please describe how the step plan is going to work for newly promoted detectives?

MR. PERSICH: It was covered the last time. Correct me if I'm wrong here, but anybody who is currently in the police officer step will stay there until their top step and if they flip over they will come over to the detective grade.

But we also corrected the steps within the detective division which was at 15 months to 12 months and upped the number to the differential to what a police officer was making to what a current detective will be making. So it's a $6,300 benefit jumping from a police officer to a detective.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Specifically with respect to detectives though that are still in police officer status, are they going to be required to work the ten days?

MR. PERSICH: Five days.

MS. FOX: Current detectives and detectives that are designated within one
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der year of full approval of this contract.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Will be
required to work the five days?

MS. FOX: Correct.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Before they
can officially transfer their status to
detective?

MS. FOX: No. So they are in
police office steps, but will be designated
as detective.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So they have
to work the five days before they can enter
detective status?

MS. FOX: No. They're separate
and apart.

So you are in police officer
steps, you're designated as detective. You
have to work if you are an incumbent,
already a detective, or you're newly
designated a detective within one year of
ratification you have to work five
additional days.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Just so I
understand it, maybe my own lack of
knowledge of this, how do you separate detectives who are still in police officer steps? They are a detective. But they're still technically in police officer steps. How do you separate that from someone who is a detective and from someone who might become a detective?

MS. FOX: Separate in what way, pay?

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: No. In terms of how they can transition going into detective steps.

MS. FOX: Well, after they reach top police officer step, they will go to grade three step four -- thank you, step one detective.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: It's my understanding that the DAI opted not to negotiate an agreement on longevity pay.

Is there money in the budget currently to pay a decision on longevity pay if there's arbitration or litigation that requires the county to pay?

MR. PERSICH: No.
LEGISLATOR RHOADS: What is the administration's, I guess, way to account for that if that eventuality occurs?

MR. PERSICH: We will have to address that if and when it gets to the court system and if we have to pay it. It's not something I accounted for in my budget for this year, next year, and the out years.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Can you describe how is termination pay calculated in this agreement? The contract makes reference to base pay. Does that include longevity, include overtime?

MR. PERSICH: Not overtime, it's calculated the same way it was previously. There's no change in that. It's two times earnings is what it is so base earnings.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So what are the termination pay provisions in the contract?

MR. PERSICH: It's identical to what it was, it's two times. There's been no change.

For news coming in, there will be
some changes if they can come on board, so I think seven five and one five if I'm not mistaken.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: With respect to give back days, or additional appearances, who determines how the days are going to be used or assigned?

MR. PERSICH: I think that's at the police commissioner -- the commander will be making those decisions, how they are going to allocate those resources.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Is that annual the give back?

MR. PERSICH: Five additional appearances.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Per year?

MR. PERSICH: Yes.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: But it would be at department not the employee that makes the determination as to when they want to work those give back days?

MR. PERSICH: I would say yes.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: What does the agreement say or it doesn't?
MR. PERSICH: It's at the discretion of the police department how to allocate resources. Just like everything else, it's precincts and they determine how it's going to be done.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Is the reconciliation of the days done I guess by the department?

MR. PERSICH: Yes, it will be done by them.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: With respect to Section 4 of the agreement schedules, it indicates that any incumbent detective may elect to work I guess five additional appearance, five additional appearance enhanced scheduled days in exchange for what he or she will receive a schedule differential of 1.7 percent, what does that actually mean?

MR. PERSICH: They are getting shift differentials what it means to me. So if they work a night tour or different shift.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: But they are
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capped as far as --

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: John Wighaus.

Just to make clear on termination pay before, it's base, plus holiday, plus night diff, plus longevity. Just the way we were getting it. It's all of them.

And now with the enhanced schedule we have to work five additional days. If you opt in and want to work five more days, there will be 1.7 percent of your base pay you will get paid for.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So you have to work five if you want to work an additional five beyond that, so for a total of 10 you would be entitled to the 1.7?

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: Correct. If you don't want to do the additional days, you don't have to, and in let's say in 2021, you opt in for the five additional, 2022 comes around and you can opt out. But it's only a one time thing.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So once a year you have to make a decision whether you're in or out?
President Wighaus: Yes, and that would be when we pick our vacation days in October you would have to either opt in or out.

Legislator Rhoads: Mr. Persich, I guess it would be difficult to determine who is opting in and who is opting out. Do we have an idea?

Mr. Persich: It's built into the model that we built. We have savings. But I can't calculate who is going to be benefiting or what the cost is going to be if somebody opts in to that. So it's built into the cost of those savings.

Legislator Rhoads: How did you build that in?

Mr. Persich: It's a complex model.

Legislator Rhoads: I guess the question is, how did you build it in if you have idea what the cost would be?

Mr. Persich: My financial wiz tell me it's cost neutral because of the way it's structured. We are getting additional
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LEGISLATOR RHOADS: If you could recap with respect to the health care contributions. How is this going to impact your retirees?

MR. PERSICH: It has no impact.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: None whatsoever?

MR. PERSICH: No.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I just wanted to follow-up with respect to the 1.7 percent. What does that mean? It's a shift differential, but what does the 1.7 mean? Give a layperson's understanding.

MR. PERSICH: So if they work five, they have to work five. If they choose to work an additional five, they get 1.7 percent additional pay to do that.

If they want to work five additional days on top of the five they are required to do, they are getting paid an additional 1.7 percent to do that.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: They're
making an additional less than two percent by working those extra days?

MR. PERSICH: That is.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Minority Leader Abrahams and Legislature Schaefer had questions.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Hi. How are you?

MR. PERSICH: Good.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: So I know I asked questions a couple of weeks ago and one of my questions was about what we spoke about, how many letters you had for police officers that were looking to become detectives.

Can you give me an update where we are with that now? I thought it was 13 or something along those lines.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: We are just doing a finance part now, but go ahead.

MS. FOX: We received 24 requests which were just approved and the department just designated 24 detectives today, this morning.
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Since the vote by the detective union, we've just promoted 24 detective this morning. So proof that the incentive is working.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: But how is that impacted with this contract that hasn't been passed yet? Is it automatically going to apply to them, and they understand that obviously?

MS. FOX: Right.

MR. PERSICH: It was an incentive to get them. I guess the point is, what the interpretation of the contract is, the membership or the new people coming on board is attracting what exactly what we want to do with this. Bringing new people into the detective union. It worked. I think the proof is, what we're saying is the 24 additional bodies.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Do you have any numbers of detectives that are looking to retire this year let say?

MR. PERSICH: I don't have an analysis.
LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Right. But do you know how many?

MR. PERSICH: I can go back upstairs but it's between ten and 20 I want to say annually, somewhere in that range.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: So it's guess?

MR. PERSICH: It's going to vary because it depends upon age and years of service, you know what I mean? There's I hate to say it, but there's numbers that retirees shoot for to get out at and that's what we have to go back to that, and we do it during the budget process but that's what we think.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: May I just suggest, you were handling the budgetary aspects. Commissioner Ryder is here. I don't know if he wants to add anything.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: So we never know the head count as the year progresses, people decide to leave or don't leave. We can estimate five or 10 people we lose a year.
But with the new contract, if and when it is ratified, most of these members will stay because they want the benefit of that raise that's coming in this year. So we probably expect to lose less than what we normally lose per year.

We have 24 that we promoted today. Some that we couldn't promote that also put letters in. We did not do that because, one, probation time on the job and experience.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: I guess my next question would be then, why hadn't we promoted them before?

It was just since they heard of the new contract, you got 24 people interested.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: That's correct, because of the incentive in the new contract, correct.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Okay.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Minority Leader Abrahams.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you
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Presiding Officer.

Just a couple of questions, Andy, more tied to get a better understanding of the savings. I don't know if you had a chance to review Maurice Chalmers' independent budget review report and how they have a total cost of the contract versus the total cost you guys have. You guys are a little bit higher than they are but ultimately the cost of the contract after the savings is roughly within a million dollars of each other.

If possible, just quantify for us the savings for 2020.

MR. PERSICH: The two biggest things we are getting back is the additional tours and the vacation cap. Those are two biggest components of what we're getting back.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: What does that generate in terms of savings, dollars for taxpayers?

MR. PERSICH: Approximately 4.9 million is what we're getting.
LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So by voting for the agreement today right off the bat from the second we vote for it there is going to be a savings of almost $5 million?

MR. PERSICH: That's offset by costs that are associated. We're giving an incentive of a thousand and a thousand in there plus a two percent bump up.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Is there a cost for 2020?

MR. PERSICH: Yes, there is.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: What's the cost for 2020?

MR. PERSICH: Sorry. Hold on one second.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Sorry. I think when we were looking at your appendix, Andy, it looks like your numbers showed that there was no cost but OBLR shows that there is.

MR. PERSICH: That's correct. We are showing it's a net savings to us in this year.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: And for
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next year as well?

MR. PERSICH: That's correct. So it's cost neutral, beneficial to me up until 2022 when I have to start worrying about paying for this.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: One more question and if the body can indulge I have some questions for Mr. Chalmers as well.

I think, Andy, as any taxpayer, they are looking at the Legislature and they're considering whether or not they would lend their support towards this agreement.

Taxes are always on people's minds and I'm not going to hold you to a tough tax question that leads in to the out years but I do have a question in regard to the immediate years as it pertains to 2021 when we have a budget that comes up this year.

Do you anticipate that the administration will submit any budget that includes a tax increase for the 2021 year to pay for this contract?
MR. PERSICH: Legislator, I don't think I can answer that at this point. I don't have it in my multiyear plan to do any tax increases, so I don't want to give you that illusion just to pay for this because it has no cost to me in 2021. This one specific section it has no tax impact, is what I will say.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So there is no tax impact for 2021?

MR. PERSICH: It's cost beneficial to me so it wouldn't require me to raise any side of the revenue equation to cover it.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I understand. So the answer would be --

MR. PERSICH: I don't --

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I don't want to box you in because I know there is multiple other things.

MR. PERSICH: There is so many others things when we do develop the budget.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But I guess what I'm asking is, if the playing field was
level to today understanding, not knowing what the problems could be for tomorrow, if the playing field was level for today, and you had an understanding that we were going to pay for this contract going into 2021, would the county have to raise taxes understanding where we are today in January not where we're going to be based off the state budget or anything look those lines what's going to happen there?

MR. PERSICH: Based upon the information that's before you right now there will be no need to increase taxes for this.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you. That's the most important thing I wanted to hear. I do have questions for Mr. Chalmers. Thank you, Andy.

MR. PERSICH: Thanks.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Anybody else?

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: This kind of ties into what Minority Leader was saying, your 24 new hires, how is that going
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to impact your budget now?

MR. PERSICH: They're already included in what I have. I have 360 that are budgeted in the 2020 budget. It's kind of in the out years. We have that same number with steps and everything else, but they're included in my current year's budget and my multiyear plan assumptions, in the out years.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: So it's all the same?

MR. PERSICH: It's all, yes.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton has a question for you as well.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I know that you just mentioned about the two savings, but would you also anticipate a savings in overtime with these new hires?

MR. PERSICH: It's hard to say right away. I would say we are going to have some savings in overtime because of the new additional hires and everything else.

I don't want to give you
delusions that it's going to be overtime set. But with more appearances there's always good things that happen with that. But I can't tell you this is going to quantify additional overtime savings on top of it, but I would say yes there should be some -- until we put it in place, it's a new structure and everything else, I don't want to give you -- start screaming out numbers of what we're going to save.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: No. And I hope you don't feel we're putting you in an awkward position. In my mind, along with the Minority Leader, we never want to enter into something that would push our budget further than it's already stretched. However, there are a number of things, there are savings that I see. It would make sense if we have the numbers. We're short, what, 60 detectives, so if we can get closer to that, I would have to anticipate just logically as a lay person that there would be some savings in
The other thing is, people worry about taxes but they also worry about the quality of life and safety.

I think all 19 of us are making a good faith effort to try to hire more detectives because we've heard for years there has been a safety issue, work quality issue.

It's never just a simple answer. We are all trying to come up with different factors. I think we're all under the understanding that this is a financial risk that we're going to take.

So hopefully we are leaving it up to you to figure it all out to make it as cost effective as possible. I really do think there are a lot of factors that may come to our favor, I hope.

MR. PERSICH: This was a unique one because of the structure of the way the contract was done. There was a problem, for years we were discussing with this body, so I think this addresses the needs of what had
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to be corrected in that contract. It was a
give and take on both sides I will say.
I think both parties agree that
this is the best thing for both parties at
this point. Budget wise it looks good to me
on paper. I have to tell you that. I think
it's going to make sense going forward in
the future.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator
Gaylor.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you,
Presiding Officer. Can anybody tell me how
many detectives are on board today?

MR. PERSICH: Approximately 300.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Is it 300 or
324?

COMMISSIONER RYDER: As of right
now, 324.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: So when will
we be at 360?

MR. PERSICH: I think the
commissioner is going to go through and see
what his needs are and adjust it.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Well, the
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needs are 360. We know that. That's what
you budgeted for and that's what you asked
for. So when will we be up to 360?

MR. PERSICH: I can't speak to
that.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Well, then
who can?

MR. PERSICH: We defer to the
police commissioner as far as what he needs
as far as personnel.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: So the
number as of today is 327, I think it was
303 I believe. We are 327 roughly. We want
to get 360. That's is our goal. That is
our budget number.

If and when the contract gets
ratified and is finalized, those who are on
the fence about it watching what the other
contracts do, will make their decisions
whether they want to move on into the
detective division. Still not a solid
answer of when that number comes. I can't
tell you what's in the mind of the officer.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: What do you
think? Give me an estimate.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: I would say it starts growing right away once everything is ratified and starts moving because we have a problem now. We don't have a problem in the outlying years. I don't need 360 in two years or three year or five, I need 360 detectives today working to combat the gang problem, drug problem, the warrant problem. How many warrants are we backlogged?

COMMISSIONER RYDER: I don't have that number at the top of my head.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: It's a rhetorical question. A whole bunch. So is the 6,000 and change incentive enough or should it have been 10,000? Why don't we give them 10,000 to give them 360 today?

COMMISSIONER RYDER: I think we wait and see what the numbers become. With these numbers, we would be able to open up the third -- excuse me, the Sixth and the Eighth squads. So we will now be able to open those two squads up in the next couple of weeks after they get out of school.
LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: All right.

Thank you, Commissioner.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO:

Mr. Chalmers, do you want to join us?

MR. CHALMERS: Maurice Chalmers, budget review.

MS. CARLSON: Helen Carlson, Office of Legislative Budget Review.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Hey guys, how are you? A quick question just for a point of reference.

The commissioner noted that obviously there's been 24 additional detectives who have been promoted effective today.

I know when you were calculating your report, I'm guessing you didn't have that information?

MR. CHALMERS: No. We had based it on 15 which was the number -- it would probably change some numbers, but in the grand scheme of things, for the first couple of years, it probably wouldn't make a big difference.
LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: That's what I was driving at. So it wouldn't make a big difference in the first couple of years but do you plan on revising it or wait and see what the commissioner does throughout the year as it points to Legislator Gaylor in terms of additional personnel being hired throughout the year?

MR. CHALMERS: Absolutely be monitoring it and making any adjustments and reporting back to the body as they hire and we'll give you an updated number.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Okay. If you could include it as part of the budget reports too, Maurice, that would be great.

MR. CHALMERS: Absolutely.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you. My next question is in reference to page three on your report. I talk a little bit about this with Mr. Persich in regards to the total cost of the contract.

I brought this up with Mr. Persich earlier, but what I was driving at was the cost of the contract. Per your
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report, you're about $20 million shy of where he was.

I tried to follow your chart the best way I could. My daughter had a math meet today and she couldn't figure it out either.

Ultimately you come back to the same number so I think the end game has been met, satisfied.

But can you explain to me, you guys have a lower cost. What's the biggest variables in that?

MR. CHALMERS: Correct. So for example what we use to calculate the salary extras, the overtime, make sure that's going to happen, is we use the average of the past two or three years as an inflater. They use one year. That makes a big difference. So just by using an average, that let's say we use 20 percent and they use 24 percent for the salary extras, then you get a bigger number. We used an average in the past couple of years.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Got you.
Okay. Fair enough. I think that's all I have. Thank you, Presiding Officer. Thank you, Maurice.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I have some follow-ups with the administration. I don't know who wants to speak.

There had been a great emphasis on having all of the contracts expire at the same time and be negotiated at the same time. But largely because they have reopening clauses in them.

By breaking this off and having this settled now, does the administration have a concern in terms of this reopening clause?

MS. FOX: At this time we don't since this is the framework for how we will proceed to negotiate with the other unions so we don't have a concern that we will trigger the reopening clause.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Doesn't that assume that the other unions are going to accept this similar deal?

MS. FOX: It's just a framework.
It's not going to be identical because they don't translate perfectly with other unions. So the theory of more appearances, health care contributions. That's the framework but the amounts and everything is specific to each union.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: It is a concern for us obviously because this contract if voted on and approved today is settled, and then down the road if there is another deal or interest arbitration that gives benefits that are greater than the detective's association can simply reopen this up and claim the greater benefits.

MS. FOX: We would have liked to have all the unions together but we can only work with who is at the table and DAI was at the table.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: In terms of the framework, here's why I'm concerned it might not be.

I looked at this and obviously part of the emphasis here, and we were all on board with this, the emphasis was to
create a framework which would help
recruitment for the detectives so in a
crisis situation all of us have been
encouraging this.

Clearly this contract is
structured in such a way that it's focused
on that recruitment, police officers earning
$6,249 while they remain in the police
steps, with the additional different grades
of detectives. It seemed to us there is a
trade-off here that the detectives agreed to
perhaps a lower wage increase and/or health
care contributions.

Is this really going to be a
framework for anybody else?

MS. FOX: Well, as far as the
salary schedule that detectives did not have
and the problem they did have, that was
unique to the DAI. We don't have to fix
that in the other unions. That's really
unique to the DAI.

The other items are universal.

Health care, shifts, how many days you work.
So that is similar. Whereas the first
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problem is not.

The other unions, the SOA, for instance, you test and there is a career path. CSEA, same thing. Just pulling out a title, accountant one, two, three, they have civil service built in career paths which detective did not.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: That was actually my point. I don't see the other unions having the same incentive because the recruitment is not the issue with them.

MS. FOX: But I don't have to fix that with them.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Exactly, which I think it might be difficult for you to be able to point to this contract as being a framework for them, because they're going to say, you don't have to do anything for us for recruitment, so why would we give back --

MS. FOX: Wage increase.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Yes. So, anyway, I don't want to go too far with that.
MS. FOX: The incentive is wage increases.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: The question, with respect to the first grade detectives, there are new fewer than 30, but there is no maximum included. So the commissioner could designate more than 30 first grade detectives if he so chooses?

MS. FOX: He could.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Can a first grade detective be demoted back into a lower grade?

MS. FOX: Any designation could be, just like detective.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: With respect to the five additional days worked, how is the time period measured? Is it measured from the date this contract goes into effect or is it measured in an annual basis?

MS. FOX: Calendar year.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I think you covered my questions. Anyone have any additional questions for any of the administration?
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(No verbal response.)

Good? Anyone else want to add anything to the discussion?

MS. FOX: I just want to thank you for supporting law enforcement as you always do.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: We always do, absolutely. And thank you for your presentation.

President Wighaus, did you want to add anything or are you good?

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: I just want to make it clear as we talk about the recruitment of detectives from the police officer rank, again, as I stated before, we had so many things we had to fix in this contract. The 24/10 being the $2,400 you got when you first made detective. 15 month steps. 75 months to top pay.

When you make detective now, you get $6,249 and we would love to get every police officer that wants to be a detective, we would love for them to start at third grade step one.
Unfortunately with everything else we had to do to not only attract these police officers, we have to retain our detectives because, as you know, last year, we lost seven or eight wanting to go back to being a police officer.

So, when you are doing a contract, our top pay usually you get your percentage raises on that top pay. We lowered the 15 month steps to 12 month steps. The top pay to 48 months from 75 months. So that stayed the same.

But we also built another step, the second grade level, which that's not a percentage raise. That's another grade where now that's an additional $8,000 over your third grade detectives.

Everybody makes second grade detective. Every detective at top pay today once this contract is ratified will be a second grade detective.

Everybody in third grade steps and police officer steps will flow through the chart and their steps right through the
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second grade detective.

We also added that first grade step which a minimum of 30 detectives will get, that will be based with a committee and ultimately with the commissioner's approval and that's going to be on years of service and everything you do.

But with everything we had to fix, we couldn't give these police officers a $50,000 raise just when they want to be a detective.

What happens is, when I made detective, it was five years to top pay. As a police officer five years to top pay.

Now, a police officers has nine steps. They are seeing the same thing out in Suffolk now because Suffolk expanded their police officer steps to 12 steps. They're having the same issues as we are having about making detectives because you can't give these police officers $50,000 raises.

But lowering the months to top pay, we chopped off a majority of detectives
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that are in police officers steps right now, we chopped off about 6 and a half years of them getting to a certain point where it would have been the old top pay.

Some of these detectives now it would have taken them ten years to get to our old top pay which they will be a couple of thousand dollars past that in three and a half years. Then they will continue another almost $30,000 to the new top pay.

I understand the concerns of trying to attract these police officers, but financially everything that was in this contract it was spread across the board. So I don't want to run on, I just want to clarify it a little bit.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Let me say this. You and Chris and the entire organization has been tireless in the last several years about this issue of understaffing, and I think your advocacy and your work is the result of why we're here today.

I want to congratulate you
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because apparently what it is that you have negotiated has led to 24 new detectives being designated today.

It's a concern to all of us that we have sufficient detectives. Especially with respect to the gang unit and drugs and things of that nature.

So, again, I want to thank you and I think you have been tireless with all of us, individually and collectively.

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: And I will still meet with you too.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Look, it's good for your members but it's extremely important for the residents of this county that public safety is really at risk.

So, again, thank you.

Legislator Ford.

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: Thank you.

LEGISLATOR FORD: We had all had expressed the concern over the shortage of the detectives and the fact that our police officers were not moving up into the ranks.

So I have to say thank you very
much because by your negotiations along with
yourself and your team, you negotiated a
good and fair contract for your members and
that was evidenced by their ratification of
it.

I also want to thank you too that
you kept in mind our taxpayers as well.

Thank you once again. I think
this is a good day for Nassau County,
especially for those men and women who serve
us so well.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator
Rhoads and Legislator Gaylor.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you,
Presiding Officer. John, absolutely great
job, great effort on behalf of your behalf
of your entire team to get us here today.

But listening to what you had
presented and the commissioner, 24 new hires
today; is there some mechanism to prevent
them when the PBA negotiates their contract
in a month from now or six months or year
from those 24 seeing a better deal and
jumping back?
Is there a minimum requirement or staying in detectives before they are able to jump back, or could potentially somebody jump from contract to contract, better deal when they get closer to retirement especially because the outlying years look pretty sweet here.

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: Potentially that could happen? I guess it could, but if one of the other unions do get a better deal, we can sit down and reopen it.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay, very good. All right. Thank you, John. Great job.


LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I just want to thank you for all that you've gone through and gotten to this point. It's great 24 new hires, new detectives are coming on as of today. As you know, the Sixth Precinct reopened in October.

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: I heard that.
LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: We are very concerned about the detectives that we are promised, so does that mean they'll be starting there?

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: I would assume the commissioner is thinking along those lines.

COMMISSIONER RYDER: In three weeks the doors will be open in the Sixth Squad. In school now, starting tomorrow.

LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Good answer. Thank you.

PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: Also, we feel with the new detectives being designated today, there is 24.

There is a lot of -- we had our informational meetings about the contract and sometimes it's like the telephone game and things get misconstrued along the way.

There were a lot of false rumors out there and we've had over the last several weeks, police officers calling the office and calling our cell phones. We feel now with these 24 new detectives today,
they're going to come in and they're going to tell their police officer friends that they worked with the truth, and we're hoping that just spirals into more letters.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Walker.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: I know Commissioner Ryder said it before but that will include the Eighth Precinct, right, the detectives over there?

COMMISSIONER RYDER: Yes.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: I want to thank you too for your hard work and dedication. I know that today is a wonderful day for you to know that 24 additional detectives are on board and will go through their training and the three week period -- I guess three week training period when that three weeks are up that you have those detectives on board with you.

I do hope that that's an incentive for others to come on board and I hope we reach that 60 number as quickly as we possibly can. Thank you very very much.
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PRESIDENT WIGHAUS: Thank you all for your continued support. I appreciate everything, meeting with me, and listening to me and being behind us. So thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Anyone else?

(No verbal response.)

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: It's time for the item. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Those opposed?

(No verbal response.)

Carries unanimously.

We are going to put this legislative meeting in recess at this time. We're going to now jump in the emergency item emergency calendar.

We are now going to jump into the emergency item, the emergency calendar.

CLERK PULITZER: Emergency Resolution Number 1-2020. An emergency resolution declaring an emergency for immediate action upon a local to amend Title 79A of the miscellaneous law of Nassau
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County to provide relief from fees charged by various departments of county government to the victims of Super Storm Sandy.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: To establish the emergency?

LEGISLATOR MULE: So moved.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Second.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Mule makes a motion, Legislator Rhoads seconds it.

All in favor of the emergency signify by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Those opposed?

(No verbal response.)

Emergency carries.

The item is 35-20 and I'm going to call it right now. A proposed local law to amend Title 79A of the miscellaneous laws of Nassau County to provide relief from fees charged by various departments of County Government to the victims of Super Storm Sandy.

LEGISLATOR FORD: So moved.
LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Second.

CHAIRMAN NICOIELLO: Moved by Legislator Ford, seconded by Legislator Rhoads. Item is before us. What this does, it provides for refunds or waivers with respect to fees charged to individuals by County Government for people who have had to do various things as a result of damages from Super Storm Sandy; sewer connections, pre-demolition, indexing at the County Clerk's Office.

The fees are waived if they show good cause which is demonstrated by a notarized document addressed to the department heads stating that the permit or service is necessary due to the effects of Super Storm Sandy. Any debate or discussion? Legislator Rhoads, then Legislator Mule and then Legislator Ford.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Obviously Nassau County has extended its fee waivers for Super Storm Sandy victims for necessary repairs in addition for tax map verification fees, recording fees, and any fees related
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to loan satisfactions for SBA loans and any other loans they may have incurred as a result of Super Storm Sandy.

Our intention was to extend these fees indefinitely. I don't think anybody really anticipated the fact that here we are eight years after Super Storm Sandy and unfortunately people are still dealing with issues related to Super Storm Sandy.

While it may seem as though perhaps some of our colleagues up in Albany, when you look at some of the deadlines they have been unwilling to extend and have forgotten the plight of those of us who live on the South Shore, we can assure the residents of Nassau County, south shore that we have not.

We want to make sure that we are doing everything that we can to make it easier for them to become whole and for them to finally put this sad chapter in our history behind them.

So the intention with this legislation is to extend those fee waivers
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indefinitely. It's our understanding with respect to many of the SBA loans most of them had to be repaid in a period of ten years. So we will be looking hopefully at the end of that process near the end of 2022.

But it's also our intention because the fee waiver expired at the end of 2019 for the period of January 1st throughout the effective date of this legislation, once it's signed by the County Executive, our intention is that any funds that have been paid would be refunded to those homeowners if they happen to fall within that window.

I just wanted to make sure that was stated for the record as it is part of our intent in introducing this legislation was that there be a retroactive application to cover every one so that there is a continuous period of fee waiving.

But I thank you my colleagues for voting for the emergency, for these families it is still an emergency and appreciate your
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support for this legislation as a whole.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator Mule.

LEGISLATOR MULE: Thank you very much, Presiding Officer. Coming from a community that was affected by Super Storm Sandy, I can assure people who do not that there are still many many families who have not been made whole and are not able to live in their homes. Just going up and down my block, there are many homes that are still up in the air and we have seen no work being done on them for many many months. So I know that these people are not able to live at home.

That being said I want to make sure I'm understanding the legislation. This is legislation that we had in place but it expired at the end of 2019. We're just making sure that it continues from this point forward.

Also, the reason why it's being extended indefinitely is because we don't know when the last of the claims will happen.
but this is something that will eventually
there will be -- no longer have any claims;
is that correct?

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I think
that's perfectly accurate, yes.

LEGISLATOR MULE: Thank you.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Just if you
don' mind, Presiding Officer, just to
clarify, it's not from this point forward,
we want to make sure there is coverage from
January 1st, 2020 indefinitely until we are
done with the last of claims.

LEGISLATOR FORD: I too want to
echo my support for this. Too many of our
homeowners had to dig into their own pockets
to be able to raise their homes and fortify
them against future storms based on whatever
the insurance requirements are.

Even though we put this
indefinitely, this program will be ending
like 2022, 2023 and all claims have to be
put in by then, all work, and almost
everything has to be paid by then.

We are doing it indefinitely just
in case there may be one or two that may fall through the crack and we can still cover them, but more than likely this program will be finished in 2023. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Any other debate or discussion among the legislators? (No verbal response.) Hearing none, all those in favor signify by saying aye.

(Aye.) Those opposed? (No verbal response.) Carries unanimously. Again, I'm putting the Full Legislature in recess.

(Whereupon, the Full Legislative Committee recessed at 3:46 p.m.)
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I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby stated:

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