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17 Theodore Roosevelt Building

18 1550 Franklin Avenue

19 Mineola, New York

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22 December 3, 2018

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2 A P P E A R A N C E S:

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4 LEGISLATOR ROSE MARIE WALKER

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6 LEGISLATOR C. WILLIAM GAYLOR III

7 Vice Chair

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9 LEGISLATOR THOMAS MCKEVITT

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11 LEGISLATOR DENISE FORD

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13 LEGISLATOR SIELA BYNOE

14 Ranking member

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16 LEGISLATOR ARNOLD DRUCKER

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18 LEGISLATOR JOSHUA LAFAZAN

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2 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Call the
3 Public Works and Parks Committee to order at
4 this time. I will act as clerk and call the
5 roll as well. Legislator Joshua Lafazan.

6 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Here.

7 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Legislator
8 Arnold Drucker.

9 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.

10 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Ranking
11 Member Siela Bynoe.

12 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

13 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Legislator
14 Denise Ford.

15 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

16 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Legislator
17 Thomas McKevitt.

18 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.

19 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Legislator
20 Rose Walker.

21 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.

22 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: And myself.

23 We have a quorum.

24 First item on the calendar is clerk
25 item 613-18 which calls for a resolution

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2 authorizing the county executive to execute a
3 grant agreement between the county of Nassau
4 acting on behalf of the Department of Parks
5 Recreations and Museums and the friends of
6 Tackapausha, Inc.

7 May I have a motion. Moved by
8 Legislator Rose Walker. Seconded by
9 Legislator Joshua Lafazan. The item is now
10 before us. Do we have someone from the
11 administration?

12 MR. NUGENT: Brian Nugent, deputy
13 commissioner Nassau County Department of
14 Parks.

15 This is a hotel-motel grant in the
16 amount of \$6,000 for the Friends of
17 Tackapausha who assist the Tackapausha
18 Museum. This will be to refurbish our bat
19 house. We have fruit bats that's been in
20 archaic condition. We're going to update it
21 to make it more visible and a better
22 attraction for children or adults.

23 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Do any of the
24 committee members have any questions or would
25 like to discuss this matter? Legislator

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2 Drucker.

3 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you
4 Chairman. I guess this particular one is not
5 regarding Old Country Road; is that correct?
6 Are you going to speak on both of them too?

7 MR. NUGENT: This one is for
8 Tackapausha in Seaford. All three will be on
9 Finance. They're all grants.

10 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Any other
11 questions? Any public comment? Step on up
12 Mr. Budnick.

13 MR. BUDNICK: I'm a member of
14 Friends of Tackapausha and former secretary
15 and board member. Tackapausha provides just
16 about the only place in Nassau County that
17 Nassau County has a collection of animals who
18 can't be released to the wild because of
19 injuries or other problems like lead
20 contamination or toxic materials. And they
21 are kept there by the outstanding staff with
22 the assistance of the Friends of Tackapausha.
23 This is a great thing. Thank you.

24 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you
25 Mr. Budnick. Any other public comment?

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2 Seeing none, I will call for a vote then. All
3 those in favor of passing this item please
4 signify by saying aye. Anybody opposed? The
5 item passes. This will move to the Finance
6 Committee.

7 The next item before us is clerk
8 item 617-18, 618-18 and 619-18, which I will
9 call all together as they call for a
10 resolution approving a supplemental agreement
11 for federal aid projects administered by the
12 New York State Department of Transportation
13 and authorizing the County of Nassau to
14 participate in the non-federal share of the
15 cost of construction and in the cost of
16 construction supervision and inspection of the
17 projects. And authorizing the county
18 executive of the County of Nassau to execute
19 an agreement on behalf of the county with the
20 New York State Department of Transportation
21 for the performance of such work for the
22 project and for the participation by the
23 county in the non-federal share of the cost of
24 the projects identified as P.I.N. 0760.81,
25 which is the traffic signal expansion phase

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2 four Nassau County.

3 Project identified as P.I.N.

4 0760.28, which is Old Country Road signals
5 phase one in Nassau County.

6 And project identified as P.I.N.

7 0759.98 traffic signal expansion phase six in
8 Nassau County, New York.

9 Moved by Legislator Rose Walker.

10 Seconded by Legislator Drucker. From the
11 administration?

12 MR. LINDGREN: Jeff Lindgren for
13 Public Works. All three of these items are
14 supplemental agreements to an existing
15 agreement we have with New York State DOT for
16 increased federal funding on the respective
17 projects and to extend the end date in which
18 we are eligible for the recoupment of these
19 federal funds.

20 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: I believe
21 Legislator Drucker has questions on the Old
22 Country Road project.

23 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you
24 Chairman Gaylor. With respect to the Old
25 Country Road project, that contract ended

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2 December 31, 2016; is that correct?

3 MR. LINDGREN: The existing
4 master agreement for this?

5 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Yes.

6 MR. LINDGREN: I don't believe
7 so. It should be fairly current and this is
8 extending it.

9 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Says
10 extending it from December 31, 2016 to
11 December 31, 2023. Is that a typo?

12 MR. LINDGREN: The original
13 master agreement had a time frame. I think
14 then we have done a no cost time extension.
15 This is actually adding additional federal
16 funding to it. So at the same time we are
17 officially extending the end date.

18 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Can you
19 describe for me, a lay person in this
20 disrespect, I personally witness on a daily
21 basis the replacement of the existing traffic
22 signals on Old Country Road to the new ones
23 that are attached to one single piece. Can
24 you describe what the differences are between
25 the existing lights and the ones you are

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2 replacing them with now?

3 MR. LINDGREN: Couple of things.

4 Number one, in a lot of the cases the
5 infrastructure of the poles, the wiring, the
6 signal lights themselves are older. They're
7 subject to the elements. They start rotting,
8 fatigue. The poles rot from the inside out
9 because moisture sticks to the bottom. So, in
10 a lot of cases we're rebuilding it as a
11 proactive measure before they become
12 maintenance intensive and/or possible collapse
13 of the structure of the other poles
14 themselves.

15 In addition to that, we are also
16 increasing the size. A lot of the older
17 signals had eight inch lights, red, yellow and
18 green. We are increasing them to 12, which
19 increase visibility of the signal. We are
20 also upgrading the pedestrian facilities.
21 Walk, don't walk. Replacing the pedestrian
22 curb ramps, buttons. Full blown rebuild. At
23 the same time we're upgrading our signal
24 communications from old, twisted bare copper
25 communicated to fiber optics.

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2 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: So
3 technologically speaking, these are the most
4 advanced traffic signals that we can get?

5 MR. LINDGREN: Yeah.

6 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you
7 very much.

8 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Any other
9 legislators have comment? Any public
10 comment?

11 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Just to
12 comment about especially the size of the
13 lights. That's a pretty decent jump from
14 eight inch to the 12 inch. And I'm sure
15 especially for every driver, but a young
16 driver who is just starting out or especially
17 an older driver who some of them -- we're in
18 the same bracket -- but the visibility is very
19 important. I think that alone is such a big
20 plus besides everything else that you
21 mentioned.

22 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Any other
23 legislators have any comment? Any public
24 comment? Seeing none, I will call for a
25 vote. All those in favor of items 617-18,

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2 clerk item 618-18 and 619-18 all in favor
3 please signify by saying aye. Any opposed?
4 These three items will move next to the
5 Finance Committee.

6 There being no further business
7 before us, may I have a motion to adjourn.
8 Moved by Legislator Walker. Seconded by
9 Legislator McKeivitt. All those in favor of
10 adjourning? Motion carries. This committee
11 is now adjourned.

12 (Meeting adjourned at 5:23 P.M.)

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CERTIFICATION

I, FRANK GRAY, a Notary
Public in and for the State of New
York, do hereby certify:

THAT the foregoing is a true and
accurate transcript of my stenographic
notes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand this eighth day of
December 2018

FRANK GRAY