

senior center with a nice park area for picnics. The Town can then restructure the current building into a Town Hall.

Councilman Hunter stated it is his understanding the Village owns property on Ridge Road and he suggested it could be used for the storage of highway vehicles. Mayor Queenan stated it could be but Orange & Rockland has requested using the property for a sub-station to help improve electric service in our community.

Councilwoman Hernandez stated the Assessor's office noticed the paperwork that was originally to be filed included the library building being transferred to the Village as part of the swap. She made the modification so that did not happen. She feels if the past is revisited then it will bring up a lot of different perspectives. The Town originally had different plans for that property which would have allowed for expansion. They are trying to avoid additional building as a way to keep costs down. The Town is looking to settle this issue and asking the Village to consider the value. The reservoir is valued at \$800K and the highway garage is valued at \$3 million. She feels a compromise on the valuation needs to be reached and so Harriman can be made restitution. Mayor Queenan stated the library was never part of this transfer. When the property lines were segregated the Village was only concerned about the egress road from County 105 and the highway land itself. He stressed the taxpayers own the land and they still do with the transfer. He feels nothing has changed with the exception of which municipality insures the property and which has control over it. There are improvements that are needed to the land and building which cannot be done until this is resolved. He noted he has spoken with Harriman Mayor Welle about these issue several times.

Supervisor Palermo stated the Town made the final bond payment for the highway garage in August 2018, after the property transfer. He feels the Village should have been responsible for this payment. Mayor Queenan stated the lawsuit was served upon the Village in January 2018. Had the Town discussed the issue with the Village rather than suing the Village would have probably offered to make that payment.

Councilwoman Hernandez stated, again, that the issue is the present not the past. There is a full packet that has what the Town's feelings were that justified the lawsuit. They want to put that aside and move forward. The Board did what they did based on the information present that was their due diligence. She would like to assess the value of the property to see if there is anything due to Harriman, discuss the final payment bond payment and discuss further the lines that exist for the library property. She feels the other parcel (219-5-8) was clarified and agrees that it is a water facility.

Trustee Egan stated he is curious to get a clarification of what the Town is looking for at the library that they did not have before. Councilman Arone stated when it was originally drawn the Assessor noticed that the lines for the library were causing an issue. It was brought to the Town's attention that a certain area was a concern, according to the Library Board. He feels if two members of each Board conducted a site visit they can explain better what the issue is which should be a quick fix. Supervisor Palermo stated the current lot-line is where the fence is and the Town believes it should be off the fence line. The way it is now is making the Town non-conforming and Mayor Queenan stated a municipality is exempt from that.

Trustee Flood stated the Town commented about fiduciary responsibility and the assessment. He feels it is a great idea to have that done but feels an outside source should do it, not a town/village employee. He noted the Village has spent over \$22K in attorney fees which he feels is a lot of money when a simple

meeting like this could have been held first. He asked how much the town has spent on legal fees thus far and Councilwoman Hernandez stated she can provide that information at the next joint meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to present solutions. Trustee Flood stated he would feel that a piece of property in Orange County with a large body of water has to be worth more than \$850K with the amount of acreage and property around it. He is very glad that this meeting is being held and thinks it is the best time in Woodbury for both Boards to be one team and work together. The issue has divided the two governments and now is the time to unite with an open dialogue. Councilwoman Hernandez stated she agrees and feels the Town has evolved as far as its priorities and also appreciates the Village coming to the table.

Mayor Queenan stated the library was mentioned a couple of times this evening and he would like to go to the site to see what the Town is looking at. He noted one of the reasons the parcel adjacent to Hickory was included in the swap was for future use to reposition the salt shed to allow for an expansion of the garage. The department has a lot of vehicles and their lifespan can be elongated if they could be stored indoors. The Highway Department is a very instrumental part of the community and the Village is inclined to do whatever it can to make their life easier. He is willing to look into the issues raised by the Town and willing to look into the compensation to Harriman. He has spoken to Mayor Welle on numerous occasions and he has implied that Harriman is in a better position today since they are no longer being taxed for the highway department.

Councilman Arone stated in the meantime he will schedule a site visit to the library to show the Village what the Town is requesting. Regarding the valuation, each side agrees that an outside person should do the valuation and maybe include Mayor Welle. Then a discussion about potentially compensating Harriman can be held.

Trustee Egan asked how much of the bonds payment was Harriman's portion. Supervisor Palermo stated he was not sure of the exact amount but it can be calculated.

Supervisor Palermo thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight and thanked Councilman Hunter for requesting the meeting. He is hopeful the issues will be resolved.

Mayor Queenan asked if the litigation will be halted until the next joint meeting and Supervisor Palermo stated he will speak to Attorney McKay about postponing it.

Supervisor Palermo and Mayor Queenan will determine who will hire the individual to do the valuation of the property and who will be paying for that cost.

A second meeting was tentatively scheduled for either April 22 or May 13 at 7PM at Village Hall.

Motion was offered by Trustee Egan, seconded by Trustee Giacomazza to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM. All voted in favor of said motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Motion was offered by Supervisor Palermo, seconded by Councilman Essig, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM. All voted in favor of said motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Desiree Potvin, Town/Village Clerk