09:28:52    >>Mayor Ribble: GOOD MORNING.
09:28:53    WE'RE GOING TO CALL OUR MEETING OF MARCH 18 TO ORDER.
09:28:56    WE'LL START WITH A HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, EVERYONE.
09:29:01    TOO BAD WE HAVE TO CELEBRATE IT IN THIS TYPE OF FASHION, BUT
09:29:05    IT IS WHAT IT IS, OF THE COUNCIL’S ST. PADDY’S PARADE.
09:29:14    I GUESS WE CAN CONFORM TO THE -- YEAH, EXACTLY.
09:29:15    THIS MORNING, WE HAVE PASTOR JOHN ROTH WITH US FROM THRIVE
09:29:20    COMMUNITY CHURCH.
09:29:21    JOHN, WELCOME BACK.
09:29:23    THANKS FOR DOING THIS TODAY.
09:29:24    I KNOW YOU WOULD PROBABLY RATHER BE AT A HUNDRED OTHER
09:29:27    PLACES.
09:29:28    >> AT HOME.
09:29:29    [ LAUGHTER ]
09:29:30    YEAH, WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING VIRTUAL RIGHT NOW.
09:29:33    WE HAD A ZOOM CALL YESTERDAY FOR A NUMBER OF OUR MEMBERS.
09:29:39    WE'RE TRYING TO ROLL THAT OUT.
09:29:41    EVEN OUR SMALL GROUPS, WE'RE NOT GOING TO GATHER EVEN IN
09:29:44    GROUPS OF TEN, JUST FOR A FEW WEEKS AT LEAST AND SEE WHERE
09:29:48    THAT GOES.
09:29:49    IT'S NOT AS MUCH, I THINK, EVEN FOR YOU, IT'S NOT SO MUCH
09:29:52    FEAR OVER YOUR OWN LIFE, BUT OVER HOW IT CAN AFFECT OTHERS.
09:29:58    IN OUR COMMUNITY TODAY, I THINK THAT'S WHAT OUR PRAYER IS
09:30:00    ALL ABOUT, IS THE WHOLE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD, IN GENERAL,
09:30:04    BECAUSE WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER WHETHER WE REALIZE THAT
09:30:06    OR NOT.
09:30:07    SO LET'S PRAY.
09:30:08    O LORD GOD, WE HUMBLY COME BEFORE YOU TODAY, AND WE ASK FOR
09:30:14    WISDOM FOR THESE CIVIC LEADERS.
09:30:17    GIVE TO THEM SOBER JUDGMENT ON ALL THE MATTERS BEFORE THEM,
09:30:20    ESPECIALLY AS WE FACE THIS PANDEMIC.
09:30:22    WE LIFT UP OUR FIRST RESPONDERS AND ALTER OUR MEDICAL
09:30:27    PERSONNEL THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY, WE ASK FOR YOUR
09:30:30    PROTECTION AS THEY ARE ON THE FRONT LINES OF THIS.
09:30:33    WE PRAY FOR YOUR MERCY UPON OUR WORLD, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO
09:30:36    ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS.
09:30:40    AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE ALREADY MOURNING, WE ASK FOR YOUR
09:30:43 PEACE.
09:30:43 AND FOR THOSE WHO FEAR, WE ASK FOR YOUR HOPE.
09:30:46 FOR THOSE WHO ARE ANXIOUS, WE ASK FOR YOUR PRESENCE.
09:30:49 MAY WE AS A COMMUNITY, THOUGH WE MAY BE SEPARATED
09:30:52 PHYSICALLY, MAY WE COME TOGETHER IN UNITY TO SERVE, TO LOVE,
09:30:57 TO CARE, AND TO GIVE.
09:30:58 ALL THIS WE PRAY IN YOUR NAME, AMEN.
09:31:02 >>Mayor Ribble: PASTOR ROTH, THAT WAS EXCELLENT.
09:31:05 EXCELLENT PRAYER.
09:31:05 I JUST WANT TO SHARE THIS WITH EVERYONE.
09:31:07 IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT FAITH YOU ARE, THAT'S NOT THE
09:31:10 IMPORTANT THING.
09:31:11 THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT YOU PRAY FROM TIME TO TIME.
09:31:15 MY WIFE AND I, MY MOTHER-IN-LAW WITH US, WE NEVER MISS MASS.
09:31:21 BUT NOW, BECAUSE OF THE SITUATION, WE'RE DOING THE TV MASS
09:31:24 ON SUNDAY.
09:31:24 WE DID IT FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS PAST SUNDAY.
09:31:28 I GUESS -- I DON'T KNOW WHO WAS BROADCASTING THIS MASS OR
09:31:32 THIS SERVICE, BUT THEY DIDN'T GET THE MEMO THAT WE NEED TO
09:31:36 HAVE A PRAYER LIKE THE ONE YOU DID THIS MORNING FOR THE
09:31:39 SITUATION.
09:31:42 I HAD TO HEAR ABOUT THAT ALL THROUGH DINNER ON SUNDAY.
09:31:45 I DON'T KNOW IF -- THANK YOU AGAIN FOR BEING HERE.
09:31:49 STAY WELL, MY FRIEND.
09:31:59 PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.
09:32:03 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]
09:32:15 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:32:16 MADAM CLERK, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?
09:32:20 >>Burt Saunders: MR. MAYOR, BEFORE SHE CALLS THE ROLL, WE
09:32:23 DO HAVE A COUPLE ON THE TELEPHONE.
09:32:25 LET'S IDENTIFY WHO IS ON THE PHONE, AND THEN RECOGNIZE THEIR
09:32:28 ATTENDANCE VIA A MOTION.
09:32:32 >>Nick Batos: I SO MOVE THE MOTION.
09:32:33 >>Burt Saunders: WHO IS ON THE PHONE?
09:32:35 >> WE'LL DO THAT IN A MOMENT, I THINK.
09:32:37 COUNCIL MEMBER LEVITAN AND COUNCIL MEMBER McLAIN.
09:32:42 I'M NOT CERTAIN ABOUT COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON.
09:32:46 >> COUNCILOR LEVITAN, ARE YOU ON THE PHONE?
09:32:51 >>Howard Levitan: YES, I AM.
09:32:53 >> COUNCILOR McLAIN?
09:32:55 >>Jon McLain: I AM.
09:32:58 >> WHEN YOU CALL THE ROLL --
09:33:00 >> COUNCILMAN WILSON IS ON THE PHONE.
09:33:00 >> I'M SORRY.
09:33:08 >>Mayor Ribble: GO AHEAD, KATHY.
09:33:09 >>Kathy Hall: COUNCIL MEMBER LEVITAN?
09:33:12 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
09:33:15 >>Jon McLain: HERE.
09:33:17    >> COUNCIL MEMBER BOESCH?
09:33:19    >>Jim Boesch: HERE.
09:33:20    >>Nick Batos: HERE.
09:33:22    >> COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON?
09:33:24    >>Jim Wilson: HERE.
09:33:24    >>Kathy Hall: WELCOME.
09:33:26    VICE-MAYOR ERRINGTON.
09:33:27    >>Vice-Mayor Errington: HERE.
09:33:28    >>Kathy Hall: MAYOR RIBBLE.
09:33:29    >>Mayor Ribble: HERE.
09:33:30    >>Burt Saunders: MR. MAYOR, WE JUST NEED A MOTION TO
09:33:34    AUTHORIZE THE ATTENDANCE OF THE THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS VIA
09:33:36    TELEPHONE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
09:33:39    >>Nick Batos: I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THAT MOTION.
09:33:39    >>Jim Boesch: I SECOND.
09:33:43    >>Burt Saunders: ORAL WOULD BE FINE.
09:33:45    ALL IN FAVOR.
09:33:46    >> AYE.
09:33:47    >> AYE.
09:33:47    >> AYE.
09:33:47    >> AYE.
09:33:47    >> AYE.
09:33:50    >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:33:51    MOVING RIGHT ALONG, BURT, ANYTHING ELSE AS WE GO ALONG?
09:33:56    THIS WILL BE A LITTLE DIFFERENT TYPE OF MEETING HERE TODAY,
09:34:00    SO BEAR WITH US.
09:34:01    WE'VE GOT TO COVER A LOT OF LEGALESE TYPE OF THINGS.
09:34:05    NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.
09:34:07    DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY DELETIONS, ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE
09:34:10    AGENDA?
09:34:11    OKAY.
09:34:13    HEARING NONE, SO MOVED.
09:34:15    NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE PRESENTATION FROM JEFF TUSCAN.
09:34:22    TUSCAN AND COMPANY REGARDING THE AUDIT REPORT FOR THE FISCAL
09:34:28    STEVE?
09:34:29    >>Steven Sarkozy: MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, IT'S OUR
09:34:32    PRACTICE TO GO THROUGH A COMPLETE AUDIT EVERY YEAR AND
09:34:37    REPORT BACK TO THE COUNCIL.
09:34:40    WE DO SO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE VERY TRANSPARENT IN OUR
09:34:43    APPROACH, AND THAT WE'RE MANAGING THE FINANCES AT THE
09:34:47    HIGHEST LEVEL OF PROFESSIONALISM POSSIBLE.
09:34:50    BEFORE WE EVEN GET INTO THE SPECIAL COMMENDATION, AGAIN, TO
09:34:56    OUR FINANCE STAFF AND ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE GREAT
09:35:00    STEWARDS OF PUBLIC MONIES AND MANAGING AND ACCOUNTING FOR
09:35:08    THE FINANCES OF THE VILLAGE IN THE MOST PROFESSIONAL WAY.
09:35:11    WITH THAT, I TURN IT OVER TO THE AUDITOR.
09:35:17    I ASK THAT YOU ACCEPT THE AUDIT AT THE END AND MOVE ON.
09:35:21    >>Mayor Ribble: GREAT.
09:35:22    YOU'RE UP.
09:35:24    >> GOOD MORNING.
09:35:25    I BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE THE AUDIT REPORT FROM STAFF.
09:35:31    >>Mayor Ribble: WE DO.
09:35:33    >> WE ALWAYS REPORT TO THE COUNCIL ON HOW THE PROCESS WENT.
09:35:37    THE FIRST PLANS THREE TO FOUR MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF WHEN WE
09:35:42    COME OUT TO DO THE WORK ON-SITE, AND WE SUPPLY A LONG LIST
09:35:46    OF THINGS TO HAVE PREPARED.
09:35:48    THE PROCESS WENT EXTREMELY SMOOTHLY.
09:35:51    WE APPEARED WHEN WE HAD PLANNED.
09:35:54    STAFF HAD ALL THE INFORMATION PREPARED AND READY FOR US, AND
09:35:58    WE COMPLETED THE AUDIT ON TIME.
09:36:00    AS YOU KNOW, THE VILLAGE APPLIES FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
09:36:05    EXCELLENCE FROM THE GFOA IN FINANCIAL REPORTING.
09:36:09    AS PART OF THAT, YOU HAVE TO SUBMIT BY MARCH 31.
09:36:17    SO YOU'RE REPORTING AT LEAST THREE MONTHS AHEAD OF THE STATE
09:36:21    DEADLINE, AND WE'RE COMPLETE NOW.
09:36:23    BASICALLY, IT'S BEEN WAITING FOR THE MEETING DATE TO GET
09:36:26    HERE FOR YOU TO ACCEPT, AND THEY'LL SUBMIT IT TO GFOA.
09:36:31    SO, AGAIN, YOUR STAFF DID A GREAT JOB.
09:36:34    EVERYTHING WENT SMOOTHLY.
09:36:36    NOW, YOU HAVE AN AUDIT REPORT HERE, ABOUT A HUNDRED PAGES
09:36:39    LONG.
09:36:39    I'VE BEEN ASKED TO KEEP THIS BRIEF.
09:36:42    I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU THE SNAPSHOT.
09:36:45    I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER PRESSING MATTERS
09:36:47    TODAY THAT YOU HAVE TO HANDLE IN TODAY'S ENVIRONMENT.
09:36:50    SO I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THE ONE THING IN THE AUDIT
09:36:55    REPORT, JUST RIGHT PAST THE TABLE OF CONTENTS IS THE
09:36:58    AUDITOR'S OPINION, WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY THE REASON WE DO THE
09:37:03    AUDIT.
09:37:04    ON THE SECOND PAGE OF THAT, SO IF YOU LOOK AT THE BOTTOM OF
09:37:08    YOUR PAGE NUMBERS, IT'S PAGE 3.
09:37:12    UP AT THE TOP, THE OPINION PARAGRAPH, YOU'LL SEE THE WORDS
09:37:18    "PRESENT FAIRLY IN ALL MATERIAL RESPECTS," THAT'S CALLED AN
09:37:22    UNMODIFIED OPINION, OR THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF OPINION THAT WE
09:37:27    CAN ISSUE AS AN AUDITOR.
09:37:28    IT'S SOMETIMES CALLED A CLEAN OPINION.
09:37:30    SO THE OTHER REPORTS, THE AUDIT REPORTS IN THIS REPORT ARE
09:37:36    THE REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE.
09:37:38    WE NOTED NO ISSUES WITH COMPLIANCE.
09:37:41    WE NOTED ONE ISSUE WITH INTERNAL CONTROL AND THAT HAD TO DO
09:37:47    WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SOFTWARE.
09:37:50    YOU'LL SEE THERE'S A COMMENT ON THE LAST PAGE OF THE AUDIT
09:37:52    REPORT ON THAT.
09:37:53    IT HAD TO DO WITH SOME CONTROLS.
BASICALLY, SUPERVISORY CONTROLS OF THAT PROGRAM.
AS AN EXAMPLE, IF SOMEONE APPLIED FOR A PERMIT, COULD
SOMEONE OVERRIDE THE PROCESS?
AND THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF THOSE KIND OF
OVERRIDES.
STAFF HAS SUPPLIED A RESPONSE TO THAT, WHICH IS A
REQUIREMENT, WHICH IS INCLUDED IN YOUR REPORT.
WE NORMALLY GO THROUGH WITH YOU THIS WHOLE SERIES OF GRAPHS,
WHICH ISN'T INCLUDED IN THERE.
IT'S A SEPARATE HANDOUT.
BUT IN LIGHT OF TODAY'S WORLD, WE'RE NOT HANDING IT OUT.
WE'LL SEND IT ONLINE TO LISA AND SHE CAN SHOOT IT OUT TO YOU
GUYS.
WHAT IT DOES, IT GIVES YOU A TREND ANALYSIS THAT AN AUDIT
REPORT CAN'T PROVIDE OR I CAN LEAVE THEM HERE IF YOU WANT TO
TAKE ONE, YOU CAN TAKE ONE.
THERE'S NOBODY SICK IN OUR OFFICE.
BUT I'LL JUST GIVE YOU THE HIGHLIGHTS.
BASICALLY, SEPTEMBER 30 YEAR-END FINANCIAL REPORT SHOWS THAT
CASH WAS UP OVERALL NET ABOUT $5 MILLION.
NOW, THAT CAME ABOUT BY THIS.
YOU HAD ABOUT $9 MILLION EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES.
9 MILLION EXCESS.
4 OF THAT YOU USED TO PUT DOWN ON THE LAND PURCHASE.
THEN YOU HAD ABOUT 20 MILLION IN DEBT.
OF COURSE, YOU PAID SOME OF THAT DOWN DURING THE YEAR, AND
THEN YOU GOT A LOAN FOR 20 MILLION.
SO A LOT OF EVENTS HAPPENED.
THOSE ARE THE FIVE BIG KEY FACTORS THAT A HUNDRED PAGES
TELLS YOU.
BUT I DO WANT TO POINT OUT, THERE'S ONE SECTION IN THERE
THAT'S WRITTEN BY MANAGEMENT.
IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A NOTE, IT'S CALLED THE MD&A.
IT'S REQUIRED TO BE WRITTEN IN NON-ACCOUNTING TERMS.
IT'S ABOUT FIVE OR SIX PAGES LONG.
IT'S VERBIAGE.
IT GIVES YOU A COMPARISON OF THIS YEAR VERSUS LAST.
IT'S A GREAT SUMMARY.
>>> WHAT PAGES?
I'LL GIVE YOU THE PAGE NUMBER.
IT STARTS ON PAGE 5.
SO STAFF WRITES IT, WE REVIEW IT TO MAKE SURE IT AGREES AND
IT'S FACTUAL TO THE AUDIT REPORT, BUT IT'S A NICE SUMMARY.
IT TAKES A HUNDRED PAGES AND BASICALLY CONDENSES IT INTO
FIVE OR SIX.
IF YOU'RE OUT TALKING ABOUT THE VILLAGE TO THE PUBLIC, THAT
IS A GREAT SUMMARY TO HAVE AVAILABLE.
THAT'S THE HIGHLIGHT.
I CAN GO IN DETAIL IF YOU WANT, BUT I WAS ASKED TO KEEP IT BRIEF BECAUSE I KNOW YOU HAVE A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON.

Mayor Ribble: THEY STAY IN THEIR PHONES OR CONDOS, SO THEY HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO READ IT.

YOU CAN ONLY WATCH SOAP OPERAS SO LONG AND THEN YOU HAVE TO GET --

CAUGHT UP ON THE OLD EPISODES OF "THE LONE RANGER."

THAT'S WHAT I LIKE.

Mayor Ribble: ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL?

Jim Boesch: THE SOFTWARE, HAS THAT BEEN ADDRESSED OR DISCUSSED?

Steven Sarkozy: IT HAS BEEN ON A SHORT-TERM BASIS.

WE FOUND IN OUR MONITORING OF THE FINANCES, WE FOUND WHERE SOME CHANGES HAD BEEN MADE TO SOME OF THE FEE SCHEDULES, AND THAT HAS BEEN CORRECTED.

THERE'S AN EXCEPTION REPORT, BUT LONG TERM, THE SOLUTION TO THIS -- SO WE'RE DEALING WITH A PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE PACKAGE THAT CAN BE CHANGED BY OUR SUBCONTRACTOR, OUR CONTRACTOR FOR INSPECTIONS.

THERE'S NOT BAD.

BUT WHEN YOU'RE DEALING WITH PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE, WE'RE NOT OFTEN GIVEN THE IDEA OF HOW THEY ARE CONTROLLING THE MODIFICATIONS OF THEIR SOFTWARE.

AND THE WAY THAT WE WANT TO CORRECT THAT LONG TERM IS TO BUY OUR OWN SOFTWARE PACKAGE, THAT IS A CANNED PACKAGE THAT MEETS THE INDUSTRY STANDARDS AND APPLY IT HERE FOR ALL OF OUR TRANSACTIONS.

WE PUT THAT MONEY IN THE BUDGET THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, BUT WE'VE NOT MADE THE TRANSITION TO THAT NEW PACKAGE.

THAT'S A MAJOR EFFORT OF WORK INTERNALLY.

WE JUST HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WHEN BEST TO DO THAT.

Mayor Ribble: HANG ON, JIM.

THE QUESTION THAT YOU JUST ASKED, SO YOU CAN MAKE A NOTE.

PAGE 84, THE LAST PAGE IN HERE IS THE ACTION PLAN THAT STEVE AND LISA WROTE, WHICH REALLY ADDRESSES YOUR QUESTION.

Jim Boesch: AND YOU'RE IN AGREEMENT WITH --

Steven Sarkozy: YES, SIR.

>> Mayor Ribble: THE QUESTION THAT YOU JUST ASKED, SO YOU CAN MAKE A NOTE.

Page 84, the last page in here is the action plan that Steve and Lisa wrote, which really addresses your question.

Jim Boesch: And you're in agreement with --

Steven Sarkozy: Yes, Sir.

Mayor Ribble: Hang on, Jim.

The question that you just asked, so you can make a note.

Page 84, the last page in here is the action plan that Steve and Lisa wrote, which really addresses your question.
IT IS THE MATTER THAT THEY HAVE TO GO INTO THEIR SOFTWARE
AND DO REPROGRAMMING.
SO THAT TAKES A LITTLE TIME.
WE HAVE ALL AGREED TO WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN AND THEY NEED TO
NOW FOLLOW THROUGH AND MAKE SURE THE PROGRAMMING IS DONE
WITH THEIR TEAM ON THE EAST COAST.
>> EVEN WHEN THE ISSUE WAS NOTED, THE SOFTWARE PEOPLE
THOUGHT THEY COULD PRODUCE AN ERROR REPORT.
SO WE WAITED A FEW WEEKS AND THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO.
WE MADE THE COMMENT.
IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE, SOFTWARE PROGRAM LIKE THAT, IF
SOMEBODY CAN OVERRIDE THE CONTROLS, IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP A
LIST OF THAT SO YOU KNOW WHO HAS THAT AUTHORITY AND HOW MANY
TIMES IT HAPPENED.
>> Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF COUNCIL?
>> Vice-Mayor Errington: I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT'S THE
ACOUSTICS IN HERE, BUT I HEARD YOU SAY A LOAN OF 40 MILLION.
THAT'S NOT RIGHT.
>> 20.
>> DID I SAY 40?
I'M SORRY.
>> Vice-Mayor Errington: YOU SET ME BACK.
>> YOU WANT ME TO SUMMARIZE AGAIN.
IT WAS 25 MILLION IN PURCHASES FOR THE LAND.
4 WAS CASH.
>> Vice-Mayor Errington: I WAS WONDERING IF IT BOUNCED OFF
THE WALL AND CAME BACK AS 40.
>> MAYBE I SAID IT TWICE AND IT ADDED UP.
>> Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL?
ANYBODY ON THE LINE HAVE A QUESTION?
HEARING NONE, NOW WE'LL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT.
IS ANYONE SIGNED UP?
>> Kathy Hall: I HAVE NO ONE SIGNED UP FOR THIS PARTICULAR
ITEM.
>> Mayor Ribble: I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO --
>> MAKE A MOTION.
>> Mayor Ribble: SECONDED BY MR. BATOS.
WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, MADAM CLERK?
>> Howard Levitan: AYE.
>> Jon McLain: AYE.
>> Jim Boesch: AYE.
>> Nick Batos: AYE.
>> COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON?
>> Jim Wilson: AYE.
>> Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
>> Mayor Ribble: AYE.
IS ANYONE SIGNED UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS?
>> Kathy Hall: NOT ON THIS ITEM, NO.
09:45:12    >> WE WILL SEND THE GRAPHS ELECTRONICALLY SO YOU CAN HAVE THEM.
09:45:15    >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:45:17    >> THANK YOU.
09:45:17    >>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.
09:45:18    THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
09:45:18    NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE CONSENT AGENDA.
09:45:25    DO WE HAVE ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS THAT HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS REGARDING THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES?
09:45:33    HEARING NONE, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.
09:45:36    BATOS AND SECONDED BY MR. BOESCH.
09:45:44    SO MOVED.
09:45:45    WE DON'T NEED TO VOTE ON THAT BECAUSE WE ALL AGREED.
09:45:49    THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS RESOLUTION 2020-02.
09:45:53    WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THE TITLE OF THE RESOLUTION?
09:45:55    >>Kathy Hall: YES.
09:45:57    I HAVE A SIDE NOTE AFTER I READ THE TITLE.
09:45:59    RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-02, A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
09:46:09    MR. MAYOR, I NEED TO POINT OUT THAT ON PAGE 1, LINE 25, THE WORKSHOP DATE, THAT IT STATES IT HAS BEEN CORRECTED TO READ FEBRUARY 19, 2020.
09:46:12    I BELIEVE IT SAID FEBRUARY 12.
09:46:25    >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE, WOULD YOU LIKE TO INTRODUCE THIS?
09:46:28    >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.
09:46:30    THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MASTER PLAN FOR THE VILLAGE'S OVERALL WORK PLAN.
09:46:37    IT WAS PRESENTED, AS MENTIONED, AT A PREVIOUS WORKSHOP.
09:46:43    THIS ACTION IS SIMPLY -- THE PERFUNCTORY ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE PLAN.
09:46:48    THERE ARE NO CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE MASTER PLAN SINCE IT WAS INTRODUCED TO THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY, AND WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT YOU ADOPT THE PLAN TO GO ALONG WITH THE OTHER MASTER PLANS WE HAVE TO GUIDE THE VILLAGE'S WORK ACTIVITIES.
09:46:49    >>Mayor Ribble: DOES COUNCIL HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?
09:46:51    >> Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:47:02    ON THIS ISSUE?
09:47:13    >>Kathy Hall: NO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
09:47:14    >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:47:23    I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION REGARDING THIS AGENDA ITEM.
09:47:26    >>Vice-Mayor Errington: SO MOVED.
09:47:27  >>Mayor Ribble: KATY.
09:47:28  SECONDED BY MR. BOESCH.
09:47:29  PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
09:47:32  >> COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON?
09:47:33  >>Jim Wilson: AYE.
09:47:35  >>Nick Batos: AYE.
09:47:36  >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
09:47:39  >>Jon McLain: AYE.
09:47:43  >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
09:47:44  >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
09:47:45  >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
09:47:46  THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS CONSIDERATION OF THE STREET
09:47:49  SWEEPING RFB 2020-04.
09:47:56  >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.
09:47:59  THIS IS A ROUTINE CONTRACT.
09:48:02  AS THE COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY IS AWARE, WE USE CONTRACTING AS
09:48:05  THE WAY OF PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY IN LIEU OF
09:48:08  HAVING STAFF AND RESOURCES DIRECTLY UNDER OUR CONTROL.
09:48:14  THIS STREET SWEEPING CONTRACT IS FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.
09:48:20  IT'S A RESULT OF A SOLICITATION FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND BIDS.
09:48:26  THIS AMOUNT IS BUDGETED ANNUALLY AT ABOUT 27,000, AND THE
09:48:30  BID ITSELF HERE IS AT 17,760, SO WELL UNDER THE BUDGETED
09:48:36  AMOUNT.
09:48:37  WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THE COUNCIL APPROVE THE BID FOR THE
09:48:39  UPCOMING YEAR.
09:48:41  TO USA SERVICES OF FLORIDA FOR THIS SERVICE.
09:48:47  >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:48:49  QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL?
09:48:52  >>Vice-Mayor Errington: STEVE, I HAD TALKED WITH YOU ABOUT
09:48:57  THE -- I HAD MADE A SUGGESTION TO THE MPO ABOUT CLEANING THE
09:49:01  MOLD OFF MEDIANS.
09:49:05  THEY ARE BLACK.
09:49:06  THAT WOULD BE ON U.S. 41 MAINLY.
09:49:09  IS THERE ANY WAY THAT DOWN THE ROAD WE COULD LOOK AT MAYBE
09:49:12  DOING SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO PRESSURE WASH SOME OF THOSE
09:49:17  FILthy LOOKING MEDIANS?
09:49:19  >>Steven Sarkozy: WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT COMMUNITYWIDE.
09:49:22  WE DO A GREAT JOB OF STREET SWEEPING, AND IN SOME CASES
09:49:27  WE'VE ACTUALLY BEEN INVOLVED IN OVERKILL OF STREET SWEEPING
09:49:32  WHERE THE RESIDENTS HAVE SAID, ENOUGH, WE DON'T NEED ANY
09:49:36  MORE.
09:49:36  BUT THERE ARE OTHER AREAS THAT ARE STATE CONTROLLED OR
09:49:38  COUNTY CONTROLLED HIGHWAYS THAT OUR OTHER GOVERNMENT
09:49:45  PARTNERS ARE NOT DOING THE SAME LEVEL OF JOB AS WE ARE.
09:49:47  WE WANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.
09:49:49  AND THOSE INCLUDE U.S. 41 AND THE MEDIANS, WHICH IS JUST
09:49:54  OBVIOUS THAT THE STATE AND COUNTY CAN'T GET TO IT AS QUICKLY
09:49:57  AS WE CAN.
SO WE'RE TAKING A LOOK AT THAT AND BRING SOMETHING BACK TO THE COUNCIL.

Mayor Ribble: ANYONE ELSE?

Howard Levitan: BILL, CAN I JUST ASK A QUESTION, PLEASE?

Mayor Ribble: SURE.

Howard Levitan: OR MAKE A COMMENT.

I WOULD REMIND STAFF THAT ON THE ETHICS DISCLOSURE REPORT THAT'S ON THE END OF THIS ITEM, HAVING A DISCLOSURE OF A CORPORATION OWNED BY ANOTHER CORPORATION DOESN'T HELP US ON OUR ETHICS PROBLEM.

SO I WOULD ASK THAT THEY DRILL DOWN UNTIL THEY FIND WHO OWNS THESE COMPANIES, WHO THEY ARE DOING BUSINESS WITH ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS.

SO THANK YOU, IF YOU COULD PASS THAT ALONG.

Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

GOT THAT, STEVE?

Steven Sarkozy: YES, WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.

Mayor Ribble: ANYBODY ELSE?

IS ANYBODY SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS?

Kathy Hall: NOT ON THIS.

Mayor Ribble: I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION REGARDING THIS AGENDA ITEM.

Mr. Batos.

SECONDED BY MS. ERRINGTON.

WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?

Kathy Hall: COUNCIL MEMBER LEVITAN?

Howard Levitan: AYE.

Jon McLain: AYE.

Jim Boesch: AYE.

Nick Batos: AYE.

Jim Wilson: AYE.

Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.

Mayor Ribble: AYE.

OKAY.

NEXT, WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THE PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ONE MORE TIME ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

IS ANYBODY SIGNED UP?

Mayor Ribble: I HAVE NO ONE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM,

HOWEVER, BOB DION DID GIVE ME A CARD ON THE PARKS MASTER PLAN.

BUT HE'LL RESERVE COMMENTS LATER ON WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PROJECTS IN THAT PLAN.

Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

OKAY.

MOVING RIGHT ALONG, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS.

START WITH YOU, NICK.

Nick Batos: NOTHING TODAY.
Mayor Ribble: JIM?

Jim Boesch: FIRST OF ALL, I THANK YOU FOR THE MESSAGE THAT YOU SENT OUT YESTERDAY ON THE REPORT ON PROGRESS AT LEAGUE OF CITIES, WHICH IS A VERY IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN OUR PRACTICE, BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO CAUSE A LOT OF ACTION.

I'M GOING THROUGH THREE DISASTERS WHEN I WAS MAYOR PREVIOUSLY AND LEARNED A LESSON, IF YOU DON'T START EARLY, YOU'LL BE AHEAD OF THE CURVE, OTHERWISE, YOU'LL BE AT A POINT WHERE NOBODY WILL BE ABLE TO GET ANYTHING.

I COMPLIMENT THE FACT THAT THE MAYORS ARE WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

ONE SOLUTION THAT I THINK SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO IS ONE OF THE MAJOR ISSUES THAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT ON THE VIRUS IS HAVING TENT HOSPITALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE HOSPITALS SO THAT THE PEOPLE WHO DO HAVE THE CORONAVIRUS CAN GO TO THESE TENT PLACES AND NOT AFFECT THE -- NOT INFECT THE PEOPLE IN THE HOSPITALS.

I LOOK AROUND HERE, I SEE THERE ARE SO MANY TENTS THAT ARE USED FOR DIFFERENT EVENTS.

RATHER THAN TRYING TO GO OUT AND BUY WHERE ALL 50 STATES ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING FOR THESE TENTS, I WONDER IF IT'S POSSIBLE IF THESE PEOPLE CAN DONATE THE TENTS AND IF THEY HAVE TO BE UPGRADED, GET SOME OF THE CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES THAT ARE NOT WORKING TO GO IN AND MAKE THEM SO THEY FIT THE STANDARDS OF WHAT COULD BE FOR PROPER EXECUTION HAVING THESE THINGS.

I LIKE TO SEE A TENT ALREADY AT THE COCONUT CENTER, MEDICAL CENTER. THEY SHOULD BE THINKING.

THEY HAVE PLENTY OF LAND THERE.

THEY SHOULD BE THINKING IF IT IS A MATTER OF ORDER AND ALL 50 STATES ORDER, YOU CAN BE SURE THERE WILL BE A FIGHT TO GET IT.

HERE WE HAVE THESE TENTS IN EXISTENCE, AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO.

WE ALSO HAVE THE EXPERIENCE FROM THE HURRICANE OF ALL THE TEMPORARY SHELTERS THAT WE HAVE.

I THINK THINGS LIKE THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED AT IF WE GET OVERFLOWS THAT CAN'T BE HANDLED, CERTAINLY THE COMMUNITY CENTER WOULD BE AN IDEAL PLACE, BRING THE MEDICAL PEOPLE IN THERE.

THAT IS THE FIRST THING I'D LIKE TO MENTION.

THE SECOND THING IS THAT WE IN THE STATE HAVE SO MANY MEDICAL COMPANIES ALREADY.

MAYBE THE GOVERNOR SHOULD CALL A CONFERENCE OF ALL THE MEDICAL PEOPLE AND FIND OUT IF THEY CAN MANUFACTURE THE TESTS BECAUSE I THINK IF THEY HAVE THE FORMULA, SOME OF THESE COMPANIES SHOULD BE ABLE TO MANUFACTURE THEM AND GET
ON TO THE PROBLEM.
BECAUSE IF YOU WAIT UNTIL THE END, THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT
FOUR, FIVE THOUSAND KITS, WHICH WILL DO NOTHING FOR A STATE
WITH 22 MILLION PEOPLE.
BUT MOST IMPORTANT, IT WILL KEEP A LOT OF PEOPLE ACTIVE AND
WORKING AND GETTING THINGS GOING.
IT'S SOMETHING THAT I THINK IS IMPORTANT.
-- THEY TRY TO GET THE ORDERS.
IT'S GOING TO BE DELAY, DELAY, DELAY.
AND WE'RE GOING TO BE BEHIND THE 8 BALL.
I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET THE MESSAGE THROUGH THE
LEAGUE OF CITIES, WE HAVE THE OVERALL COMMUNITY AND ALL THE
DIFFERENT MAYORS, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE IMPRESS, I
KNOW THE GOVERNOR IS DOING THE YEOMAN'S JOB ON THIS.
IT'S MORE THAN A YEOMAN.
I THINK THE PEOPLE HAVE TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS AS WELL AS
THE OFFICIALS.
THAT'S THE ONLY WAY THIS THING IS GOING TO COME TO PASS.
I HOPE THAT WE CAN GET A MESSAGE THAT IT'S NOT JUST WHAT YOU
HAVE TO DO, GOVERNOR, BUT WE CAN FIND RESOURCES IN FLORIDA
THAT CAN SOLVE SOME OF THE PROBLEMS.
>>Mayor Ribble: JIM, THEY ARE ALREADY SOLVED.
EVERYTHING YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT HAS BEEN LONG ADDRESSED LAST
WEEK.
KYLE, DO YOU WANT TO GIVE US AN UPDATE?
YOU WERE AT THE MEETING THIS MORNING.
AS YOU FOLKS KNOW EVERY COUNTY IN EVERY STATE HAS A NATIONAL
FEDERAL PROGRAM CALLED THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER.
WE HAVE A BRAND-NEW FACILITY THEY BUILT UP IN FORT MYERS
RIGHT BEFORE IRMA.
WE TESTED IT DURING IRMA.
IT WORKS FANTASTIC.
KYLE, DID YOU WANT TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON WHAT HAPPENED
THIS MORNING?
DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF THE E-MAIL THAT BRIAN HAMMOND SENT
OUT?
THIS MORNING OR NO?
>>Kyle Coleman: NO, I DON'T.
>>Mayor Ribble: I HAVE A COPY OF IT.
WHEN YOU SEE THIS, YOU'LL BE TOTALLY CONVINCED THAT THEY ARE
TOTALLY IN CHARGE OF THIS THING.
ALL THESE THINGS HAVE BEEN -- LAST NIGHT, I WAS TELLING --
WE HAD A CONFERENCE CALL LAST NIGHT WITH THE GOVERNOR AT
8:00, ALL THE MAYORS WERE ON IT.
THEY VERBALLY TALKED ABOUT ALL OF THESE THINGS.
AT THE END OF IT, I WAS TOLD -- I TOLD THEM I WAS
DISAPPOINTED THAT THEY DIDN'T HAVE TALKING POINTS.
YOU COULDN'T WRITE IT DOWN.
SO MANY THINGS WERE COVERED, YOU COULDN'T TAKE ALL THE NOTES.
THIS MORNING, WE HAVE THAT.
IT'S LIKE SIX PAGES.
I JUST GOT IT HERE ABOUT TEN MINUTES AGO.
WHEN I GET HOME, I'M SURE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE IT.
WE'LL GET IT OUT TO ALL THE COUNCIL.
THEN YOU CAN SEND IT OUT TO YOUR FOLKS AND YOUR COMMUNITIES THAT ARE ASKING.
BUT GIVE US AN UPDATE.

>>Kyle Coleman: THE MAIN THING IS THEY ARE MOVING TO MORE OF A VIRTUAL EOC WHICH MAKES SENSE.
THEY ARE PUTTING OUT GUIDANCE AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IS IMPORTANT.
THE MAIN THING THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS LIMIT HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE IN SPACES TOGETHER.
SO THAT'S KIND OF WHAT WE'RE FOLLOWING HERE.
THAT'S WHAT WE'RE FOLLOWING WITH OUR REMOTE WORK POLICY.
THAT'S WHAT STEVE WENT AHEAD AND HAD ALL OF THIS SANITIZED AND HE'S DOING IT DAILY.
I THINK FOR WHAT WE CAN DO, SOMEWHAT LIMITED OPERATION,
STEVE HAS SET THAT UP.

>>Jim Boesch: KYLE, YOU ARE INVOLVED IN THE STATE --
>>Mayor Ribble: HE'S INVOLVED IN THE COUNTY.
IT STARTS IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
THEN IT GOES TO THE GOVERNORS.

>>Jim Boesch: TO PRACTICE THE CONCEPT OF ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS, HAVE A TENT SET UP IN THE COCONUT MEDICAL CENTER.
WHEN WILL THEY HAVE TENTS SET UP, HEALTH PARK, LEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, AND GULF COAST, WHEN WILL THAT BE DONE?

>>Kyle Coleman: SO I BELIEVE THEY ARE LOOKING AT HOW TO MOVE SOME RESOURCES THAT THEY NEED TO, BUT THEY ARE NOT YET AT THE POINT WHERE THEY ARE RUNNING OUT OF BEDS.
THEY HAVEN'T GONE TO THAT POINT.

>>Mayor Ribble: HE WASN'T ON THE CALL FROM LAST NIGHT.
THIS IS GOING TO BE ALL DONE THROUGH THE NATIONAL GUARD.
THEY ALREADY HAVE THE MILITARY TENTS.
THEY ARE GOING TO DO THE WHOLE ENCHILADA.
FOR ME TO SIT HERE AND TELL YOU EXACTLY WHERE -- THEY RATTLED IT ALL OFF LAST NIGHT.

I DON'T KNOW WHERE ALL THE TENTS ARE GOING TO BE, BUT THEY HAVE A STRATEGIC PLAN, WHICH HAS ALL BEEN COVERED BY PROFESSIONALS.

>>Nick Batos: I BELIEVE ALSO, LEE MEMORIAL, WHICH IS THE HOSPITAL SYSTEM WE'RE INVOLVED WITH, THEY HAVE ALSO COME OUT AND SAID THEY ARE RELOOKING AT ALL OF THE FACILITIES THEY HAVE AND ANY OF THE HOSPITAL SPACE THEY ARE NOT USING RIGHT
NOW, WHICH MIGHT BE AVAILABLE.
I THINK, AS YOU SAID, I THINK THEY ARE GOING AHEAD AND DOING THIS ALREADY.
>>Mayor Ribble: WE'LL HAVE THE INFORMATION OUT TODAY.
I THINK THEY ARE DOING A GREAT JOB.
WE'RE EVEN GETTING INVOLVED IN OVERKILL.
STEVE AND I TALKED ABOUT THIS YESTERDAY, THIS EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER IS ONLY FOR ADMINISTRATORS.
NOW WE HAVE MAYORS THAT ARE GOING TO THIS THING.
WHAT WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE IS A POLITICAL DOG AND PONY SHOW.
YOU'RE THE ONE DRIVING THE TRAIN ON THIS WHOLE PROCESS.
I TOTALLY RESPECT WHAT YOU'RE DOING.
I'M NOT GOING TO PUT MY BEAK IN THAT THING.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ME SHOWING UP UP THERE.
I FOLLOW THE PROCESS.
YOU ARE OUR GUY.
YOU DID A GREAT JOB WITH IRMA.
YOU KNOW WHAT HAS TO BE DONE.
I'M ONLY FOLLOWING ARTICLES AT 8:00 AT NIGHT TO BE ON THE CONFERENCE CALL.
IF THERE'S SOMETHING I GET OFF OF THAT, I'LL SHARE WITH YOU.
IT SOUNDS LIKE WHEN BRIAN SENT THIS E-MAIL OUT IT SOUNDS LIKE THEY CAPTURED THE STUFF ALREADY.
THE COMMUNICATION IS UP.
IT'S RUNNING.
THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS THEY ADDRESSED I DIDN'T EVEN THINK OF.
THOSE FOLKS DO THIS STUFF.
THAT'S WHAT THEIR JOBS ARE, AND I THINK THEY ARE DOING A GREAT JOB.
>>Kyle Coleman: QUICK PLUG.
ON OUR WEB PAGE, WE HAVE A DEDICATED CORONAVIRUS WEB PAGE.
IT'S WORTH CHECKING OUT.
IT SHOWS WHAT LEE COUNTY IS SAYING.
IT SHOWS WHAT THE CDC IS SAYING.
IT SHOWS THE NICE DASHBOARD FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA.
>>Mayor Ribble: YOU HAVE THAT ON THERE NOW THE DASHBOARD?
>>Kyle Coleman: YES.
>>Mayor Ribble: GOT THAT LAST NIGHT.
>>Kyle Coleman: SO WE'RE FOLLOWING THE EXPERTS.
>>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
THAT DASHBOARD, IF YOU'VE GOT A NEIGHBOR THAT'S NOT CONVINCED THAT THIS IS SERIOUS DRAMA, LET THEM GET ON THE DASHBOARD.
TELL THEM TO DO IT TWO OR THREE DAYS IN A ROW SO YOU CAN SEE HOW THIS THING IS TAKING OFF.
IT'S OUT OF CONTROL.
IT'S RIDICULOUS.
10:01:20 THESE NUMBERS ARE GETTING CRAZY.
10:01:21 THE BIGGEST THING THEY KEPT GOING OVER LAST NIGHT ON THAT
10:01:22 CALL WAS AVOID BEING WITH GROUPS OF PEOPLE AND AVOID
10:01:26 ONE-ON-ONE CONTACT.
10:01:28 SO LIKE WHEN YOU'RE WALKING DOWN -- THEY WENT THROUGH ALL
10:01:31 EXAMPLES.
10:01:32 YOU'LL HAVE TO GO TO THE GROCERY STORE, UNFORTUNATELY.
10:01:34 THE NICE THING FOR ME, I DELEGATE THAT TO MY WIFE.
10:01:40 IF SHE GOES AND GETS SICK, THAT DOESN'T DO ME ANY GOOD.
10:01:43 SO THE DEAL IS, WHEN YOU GO TO THE GROCERY STORE, YOU HAVE
10:01:45 TO LOOK AROUND AND USE COMMON SENSE.
10:01:47 IF YOU SEE SOME LADY OR SOME GENTLEMAN THERE WITH HIS HANKIE
10:01:50 OUT AND THEY OBVIOUSLY HAVE SOMETHING WRONG WITH THEM, YOU
10:01:53 WANT TO GO TO ANOTHER AISLE AND COME BACK TO THAT AISLE
10:01:56 LATER.
10:01:56 YOU HAVE TO USE A LITTLE COMMON SENSE FOR SOME OF THIS
10:02:00 STUFF.
10:02:00 I COULD TALK ABOUT THIS FOR HOURS BECAUSE THEY DID LAST
10:02:03 NIGHT.
10:02:04 KYLE, YOU'RE DRIVING THE TRAIN.
10:02:05 I APPRECIATE THE COMMUNICATIONS THAT YOU'RE GIVING US.
10:02:07 >>Kyle Coleman: STEVE IS LEADING IT.
10:02:08 I'M JUST THE CONNECTION AT THE EOC.
10:02:12 HE'S KEEPING ALL OF YOU INFORMED.
10:02:14 THANKS.
10:02:16 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:02:16 THANK YOU.
10:02:17 >>Jim Boesch: WE HAVE THAT ON OUR WEBSITE.
10:02:20 >> YES.
10:02:22 >>Steven Sarkozy: THERE'S LIMITED INFORMATION THAT'S UNIQUE
10:02:24 TO ESTERO ON THIS OBVIOUSLY, BECAUSE THIS IS A NATIONAL AND
10:02:28 INTERNATIONAL ISSUE.
10:02:29 SO WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP THE ESTERO COMMUNITY UNDERSTAND
10:02:34 WHAT'S GOING ON, WE'RE CREATING A ONE-STOP SHOP FOR
10:02:38 INFORMATION.
10:02:39 AND WE HAVE THE COUNTY AND THE STATE AND THE NATIONAL
10:02:45 INFORMATION PLUGGED IN THERE EVERY DAY.
10:02:47 EVERY TIME WE GET IT, WE AUTOMATICALLY UPDATE IT SO THAT
10:02:51 PEOPLE CAN SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING.
10:02:53 AND THEN ON A DAILY BASIS, WE'RE PART OF THE COUNTY
10:03:00 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER.
10:03:01 EVERY OPERATION CENTER IN THE NATION HAS BEEN MOBILIZED.
10:03:08 IT'S NOW VIRTUAL, SO THERE'S NO NEED TO ATTEND MEETINGS,
10:03:12 WHICH WE DID DURING IRMA.
10:03:13 -- WAS CAMPING OUT DOWN AT THE EOC.
10:03:17 BUT WE HAVE UPDATES ELECTRONICALLY AND BY PHONE EVERY DAY
10:03:25 THAT KYLE OR I OR BOTH ARE GETTING INVOLVED IN JUST TO HEAR
10:03:31 WHAT'S GOING ON.
JUST TO ASSURE PEOPLE, THERE'S VERY LITTLE NEW INFORMATION.

THE FRUSTRATING PART ABOUT THIS FOR EVERYONE IS THAT IT'S HIGH ANXIETY WHILE WE WAIT AND TRY TO TAKE AS MANY ACTIONS AS WE CAN TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS.

IT'S FRUSTRATING FOR EVERYONE.

BUT WE'VE HEARD DIGGING INTO THE DETAILS AS AN EXAMPLE, HOSPITAL BEDS THAT THEY HAVE COME UP WITH A PLAN, AS THE MAYOR MENTIONED, TO UTILIZE EVERY AVAILABLE ROOM WITHIN THE CURRENT MEDICAL COMMUNITY.

THEY BELIEVE THAT WE'RE WELL PREPARED FOR THAT TYPE OF THING.

NOW, THAT'S NOT SOMETHING WHERE I'VE EVALUATED THEIR WORK BECAUSE THAT'S NOT SOMETHING IN MY -- BUT I FEEL PRETTY CONFIDENT THAT EVERYONE IS ENGAGED AND WELL PREPARED, AS MUCH AS WE CAN BE REGARDING THIS ISSUE.

>>Jim Boesch: DID YOU SEND OUT THE MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE THAT WE HAVE ALREADY LISTED ON E-MAIL?

>>Steven Sarkozy: ALL THE INFORMATION IS ON OUR WEBSITE.

>>Jim Boesch: THE POINT THAT WE HAVE IS THAT EVERY HOSPITAL, AS WE ALL KNOW RIGHT NOW IS UP TO CAPACITY HERE IN FLORIDA. I ENDED UP IN THE HOSPITAL, I ENDED UP WITH THREE BEDS IN THE ROOM.

THEY ARE FULL, IF THAT HAPPENS HERE AND WE DON'T HAVE THOSE SUPPLEMENTAL HOSPITALS SET UP, WE'RE GOING TO BE IN TROUBLE.

I'M IN A SENIOR COMMUNITY LIKE ANYBODY ELSE, THEY'LL ASK ME, WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE --

>>Mayor Ribble: JIM, HAVE THEM GO TO THE WEBSITE AND LOOK THROUGH THIS STUFF.

IT'S ALL THERE.

IT'S ALL THERE.

THERE'S NO SECRETS.

THERE'S NO MYSTERIES.

THEY HAVE A GREAT PLAN.

THESE CASES ARE GOING TO TAKE OFF LIKE A ROCKET, AND THEY HAVE THE EQUIPMENT TO MATCH THE PROBLEMS THAT THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE IN THE NEXT TWO OR THREE WEEKS.

GET ON THE WEBSITE, THAT ANSWERS ALL OF YOUR QUESTIONS.

THERE'S SO MUCH THERE, YOU COULD STAY ON THAT THING FOR HOURS THEY HAVE SO MUCH INFORMATION.

KATY, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING?

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES.

THE LAST MPO MEETING THAT I ATTENDED, WE WERE TOLD THAT 26% OF THE MOTORISTS IN FLORIDA DO NOT HAVE INSURANCE.

SO WITH UNEMPLOYMENT NOW MAYBE HITTING US WITH A LOT OF PEOPLE MAYBE WILL BE DROPPING THEIR INSURANCE.

I TELL YOU THAT TO TRY TO BE REAL CAUTIOUS WHEN YOU'RE DRIVING.

THE ESTERO PARKWAY, I UNDERSTAND THERE WAS A FATALITY THERE.
LAST NIGHT.

STEVE, I WAS ASKING THE DEPUTY IN THE BACK. HE WAS GOING TO CHECK ON IT.

>>Mayor Ribble: SO THERE WASN'T ONE --

>>Steven Sarkozy: THE FATALITY WAS ON U.S. 41.

IT WAS NOT ON ESTERO PARKWAY, AT LEAST THE ONE THAT WAS AROUND 9:00.

I THINK THAT'S THE ONE THAT WAS THERE.

I WAS THERE.

THEY SHUT DOWN U.S. 41 GOING SOUTHBOUND.

AND THE BYPASS AROUND U.S. 41 WAS ON ESTERO PARKWAY OVER TO THREE OAKS PARKWAY SOUTHBOUND AND THEN OVER TO CORKSCREW.

WHERE WAS IT ON 41?

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THERE HAVE BEEN, I'VE BEEN TOLD, AT LEAST FOUR TO FIVE ACCIDENTS RIGHT IN THAT STRETCH OF ROAD THE PAST WEEK.

I KNOW TWO PEOPLE PERSONALLY THAT WERE HIT.

THEIR CARS WERE HIT.

THEN LAST NIGHT THERE WAS AN ACCIDENT.

IT CAME ACROSS THE LITTLE MONOLOGUE ACROSS THE TOP OF MY PHONE, AN ACCIDENT ON U.S. 41 NEAR ESTERO PARKWAY.

THEN IT WENT AWAY.

I DIDN'T CHECK IT OUT ANY FURTHER.

THERE ARE A LOT OF ACCIDENTS, WHICH IS LEADING ME TO BRING UP -- THIS IS FOR DAVID.

THE LIGHT THERE, THAT STREETLIGHT THAT IS THERE ON U.S. 41, ESTERO PARK, FOR SOME REASON, WHEN YOU AND I WERE WORKING ON THE LIGHTING THERE, SENT THE VENDOR OUT AND THEY WERE REPLACING A LOT OF THE BULBS THERE, THAT ONE LIGHT, SOMEBODY HAS CHOSEN NOT TO PUT THAT LIGHT BACK IN THERE.

AND THAT'S VERY BADLY NEEDED.

I THINK THE RESPONSE THAT YOU GAVE ME WAS THAT THE DEVELOPER DECIDED THAT HE DIDN'T WANT IT.

IF THAT IS THE CASE, WE NEED TO CHECK THAT OUT BECAUSE THAT CROSSWALK IS DARK AT NIGHT.

YOU KNOW WHICH ONE I'M TALKING ABOUT.

>>David Willems: YES, I'M FAMILIAR WITH THAT.

I'VE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE DEVELOPER, AND THEY ARE GOING TO BE PUTTING THE LIGHT IN THERE.

SO ON THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL --

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: IT'S ALREADY MADE FOR THE LIGHT AND THEY TOOK IT DOWN.

>>David Willems: YEP.

THE LAST I TALKED TO THEM, THEY WILL BE INSTALLING THAT.

THEY'LL LET ME KNOW WHEN IT HAPPENS.

HOPEFULLY IT'S IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: GOOD.
ESPECIALLY PEOPLE, THERE ARE A LOT OF WALKERS NOW AND PEOPLE RIDING BICYCLES, AND WE ARE HAVING MORE AND MORE OF THAT NOW THAT PEOPLE CAN'T DO WHAT THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING, WHATEVER ELSE THEY WANT TO DO.

WALKING WILL INCREASE.

THE OTHER THING IN LISTENING, I TRY NOT TO LISTEN TO THE NEWS ALL DAY LONG.

I THINK IT CAN BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD MAYBE MAKE YOU VERY UNCALMING EFFECT.

I THINK AT THIS POINT IN TIME IN OUR LIVES THAT WE HAVE TO KEEP CALM THROUGH ALL OF THIS.

I HAD A PERSON FROM ALBANY, NEW YORK, WHO GOT IN TOUCH WITH ME YESTERDAY AND SAID IT WAS HYSTERIA UP THERE.

I HAVE TO GIVE THE CREDIT TO THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

IN WATCHING HIM, HE'S DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB IN TRYING TO CALM PEOPLE'S FEARS.

IT'S VERY, VERY SERIOUS.

I HAVE TO GIVE CREDIT TO GOVERNOR DESANTIS AND OUR PRESIDENT.

SURE, WE'RE MAKING SOME MISTAKES, MANY MISTAKES.

THIS IS MONUMENTAL.

BUT WHAT WE CAN DO, AND WHAT THE VILLAGE CAN DO, IS TO STAY CALM, TRUST OUR OFFICIALS.

WE HOPE PEOPLE TRUST US.

WE'RE TRYING TO DO THE BEST WE CAN, BUT WE CANNOT GO OUT AND DETERMINE OUR OWN RULES AND REGULATIONS.

WE HAVE TO ADHERE WITH WHAT THOSE ABOVE US ARE PLANNING FOR US, AND WE CAN SUPPLEMENT IF WE NEED TO.

BUT WE NEED TO KEEP CALM.

I'M A PERSON OF VERY DEEP FAITH.

AND MY FAITH IS PLAYING A MAJOR, MAJOR ROLE IN MY CALMNESS RIGHT NOW.

THAT'S HOW I BELIEVE.

I WILL NOT USE THIS PLATFORM TO SAY ANYTHING EXCEPT THAT IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE FAITH, MAYBE NOW YOU SHOULD LOOK AT HOW YOU GET THE CALMNESS.

BUT I'M IN IT.

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.

I'M SLEEPING WELL AT NIGHT.

I HOPE YOU ARE, TOO.

BUT YOU HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING MORE THAN WHAT EVERYBODY IS TRYING TO PREACH HYSTERIA.

THAT'S NOT GOOD.

THAT WILL NOT HELP US.

WE CAN HELP OUR FAMILIES BY BEING CALM AND REUNITING AS A FAMILY.

WE STILL HAVE Facebook, SKYPE.
WE CAN DO THE INTERNET.
WE CAN DO TEXTING.
WE HAVE SO MANY WAYS OF STAYING IN TOUCH WITH ONE ANOTHER.
AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I FOUND THAT'S VERY, VERY HELPFUL IS LOOK AROUND YOU AND SEE WHO MAYBE IS A SHUT-IN, CAN'T DO A WHOLE LOT RIGHT NOW.
I MADE SOME SOUP.
I TOOK SOME SOUP TO A COUPLE OF NEIGHBORS.
IN RETURN, I HAD A NEIGHBOR SAID, I'M GOING TO THE STORE, ANYTHING YOU WANT?
I SAID, YEAH, APPLES.
YEAH, EAT AN APPLE A DAY.
DO SOMETHING.
TAKE CARE OF YOUR HEALTH RIGHT NOW.
EAT HEALTHY AND TRY TO GET YOUR EXERCISE.
YOU CAN STILL GET OUTSIDE.
JUST DON'T GET IN CROWDS.
AND STAY HYDRATED.
BUT TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF AND WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS.
AND WE WILL BECOME A BETTER COMMUNITY AND A BETTER NATION FOR IT.
I'M JUST VERY THANKFUL AND GRATEFUL THAT I HAVE AIR TO BREATHE AND THAT I'M HERE TODAY.
WE SHOULD ALL BE.
WE CAN SET AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHERS.
THANK YOU, ALL OF THE COUNCIL, FOR BEING HERE TODAY.
I APPRECIATE IT.
>>Howard Levitan: YEAH, I'M HERE. I HAVE A VERY BRIEF THING.
I JUST WANT TO NOTE THAT THREE OF US THAT ARE ON THE PHONE, I'M NOT ILL OR ANYTHING.
WE'RE HERE BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO FOLLOW THE CDC GUIDELINES FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING, AT LEAST THAT'S MY EXCUSE.
I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN SAID ABOUT TAKING THIS VERY SERIOUSLY.
I SEE PEOPLE IN MY COMMUNITY GATHERING TOGETHER AND THAT'S NOT ADVISABLE.
AND WE ALL OUGHT TO FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES.
I KNOW TODAY IT CAME OVER ON MY Facebook, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PRESS CONFERENCE.
I HOPE WE'LL PUT THAT UP ON OUR WEBSITE.
IT IS A REALLY GOOD SUMMARY OF THE CURRENT INFORMATION.
LAST, I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE LISTEN ONLY TO OFFICIAL SOURCES.
VICE PRESIDENT PENCE'S CORONAVIRUS TASK FORCE, THE CDC, THE GOVERNOR'S PRESS CONFERENCES AND NOW THE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS, AS WELL AS OUR WEBSITE, WHICH WILL BROADCAST THAT.
I THINK PEOPLE GET THEIR INFORMATION FROM THAT AND DON’T CONTINUE TO PASS ON RUMORS THAT ARE NOT TRUE.
SO I HOPE EVERYBODY STAYS SAFE AND GOOD LUCK TO EVERYBODY.
THANK YOU, BILL.
>>Mayor Ribble: THANKS, HOWARD.
JON McLAIN?
>>Jon McLain: YES, MAYOR, THANK YOU.
I SHARE THE SAME THOUGHTS EVERYBODY ELSE HAS.
I'M HEALTHY AND JUST TRYING TO COOPERATE WITH THE DISTANCING OF PEOPLE.
I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE LISTENING IN ON THIS.
MR. MAYOR, I WAS WONDERING, ARE WE GOING TO ADDRESS IN TODAY'S MEETING RESOLUTION 2020-3, WHERE WE DECLARE A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY?
I GOT THE E-MAIL THIS MORNING --
>>Mayor Ribble: BURT WILL COVER THAT LATER.
>>Jon McLain: OKAY.
VERY GOOD.
THAT'S ALL I HAVE FOR COMMENTS.
>>Mayor Ribble: JON, THANK YOU.
JIM WILSON?
>>Jim Wilson: YES, MR. MAYOR.
IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK.
AS MANY OF YOU MAY KNOW, IN EARLY NOVEMBER, I HAD A SERIOUS STROKE, CRIPPLING MY WHOLE LEFT SIDE.
SO IT'S BEEN VERY HARD TO READ MY MATERIALS.
I APPRECIATE SINCERELY MR. SARKOZY VISITING ME SEVERAL TIMES TO BRING ME COMPLETELY UP TO DATE ON ALL THE STUFF GOING ON.
IT'S A REAL PLEASURE TO BE BACK INVOLVED.
THANK YOU.
>>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU, JIM.
AND WELCOME BACK.
NOW I'LL TURN THIS OVER TO MR. SAUNDERS.
BURT?
>>Burt Saunders: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.
IN MY REPORT, WE HAVE THREE ITEMS.
The first one deals with the Happehatchee Acquisition and the ongoing litigation.
There had been -- I'm going to make a suggestion on how to proceed just for your consideration.
There had been a request that we add this item to the agenda for the purpose of scheduling a closed session with the village council because the Save Our Creeks folks have written a letter, an offer of settlement, and we would have that opportunity to discuss that letter and how to proceed.
We are now a party to that because we've given direction to
MARK EBELINI TO INTERVENE ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
WE ARE IN A POSITION TO HAVE A CLOSED SESSION.
I THINK UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES IT WOULD BE ILL-ADVISED TO DO THAT.
WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST IS THAT THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO REACT TO THE OFFER OF SETTLEMENT, PERHAPS WORK OUT SOME SETTLEMENT, AND THEN COME BACK AT YOUR NEXT MEETING, WHENEVER THAT IS, FOR RATIFICATION OF THAT, BUT GIVE THE MANAGER THE ABILITY TO WORK ON THAT ISSUE ALONG WITH THE ATTORNEY, AS OPPOSED TO A CLOSED SESSION AND BASICALLY SAYING THE SAME THING I JUST SAID.
SO THAT WOULD BE THE SUGGESTION GOING FORWARD ON HAPPEHATCHEE.
THERE'S NO URGENCY, BECAUSE ALL OF THE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS ARE STAYED AT THIS POINT.
SO WE'VE GOT AN APPEAL OF THE TRIAL COURT ISSUE.
THAT WILL GO ON FOR SOME TIME.
I THINK GIVING THE MANAGER THE ABILITY TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION GOING FORWARD --
STEVE, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT WITH THAT?
OKAY.
 HOW ABOUT COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL ON THIS?
CAN I COMMENT ON THAT?
I'M IN FAVOR OF EXECUTIVE SESSION WHERE WE COULD DISCUSS IT WHEN YOU FEEL YOU'RE IN A POSITION --
HE WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU'RE OKAY LETTING SARKOZY MEET WITH THESE PEOPLE.
THAT'S ALL WE'RE TRYING TO DECIDE.
I'M FINE.
HOWARD, YOU HAD A COMMENT?
I WANTED TO ASK BURT IF CLOSED SESSION ANYWAY, CAN WE DO IT WITH CONFERENCE CALL WITH A STENOGRAPHER ON THE LINE?
NO.
IF I UNDERSTOOD WHAT YOU'RE ASKING, IF YOU COULD HAVE A SESSION VIA TELEPHONE FOR THAT.
YOU CANNOT DO THAT.
IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY-TYPE ISSUE TO DISCUSS UNDER THIS DECLARATION OF STATE EMERGENCY, YOU CAN HAVE A SESSION VIA TELEPHONE WITH NO ONE PRESENT TO DO THAT.
FOR A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION, YOU HAVE TO BE PRESENT.
YOU HAVE TO HAVE A QUORUM.
I GUESS THE QUESTION, HOWARD, ARE YOU OKAY WITH SARKOZY WORKING WITH THESE PEOPLE FOR RESOLUTION?
YES.
10:18:57 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM WILSON --
10:19:00 >>Jon McLain: JON McLAIN IS OKAY WITH THAT ALSO.
10:19:02 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM WILSON?
10:19:04 >>Jim Wilson: I'M FINE WITH THAT.
10:19:05 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:19:06 SO WE HAVE CONSENSUS.
10:19:07 DO WE NEED TO MAKE A MOTION?
10:19:10 >>Burt Saunders: NO.
10:19:11 THAT'S FINE.
10:19:11 WE HAVE DIRECTION TO PROCEED ON THAT.
10:19:13 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S ALL YOU NEEDED ON THE ISSUE?
10:19:15 >>Burt Saunders: YES, SIR.
10:19:15 THE NEXT ITEM DEALING WITH THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT PELICAN
10:19:18 LANDING, I UNDERSTAND THERE IS A REGISTERED SPEAKER ON THAT
10:19:22 ISSUE.
10:19:22 THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS.
10:19:23 ONE IS THAT WE'VE HAD SOME CONVERSATIONS WITH THE ATTORNEYS
10:19:28 REPRESENTING LENNAR.
10:19:30 WE HAVE PUT THEM ON NOTICE THAT WE FEEL VERY CONFIDENT THAT
10:19:34 THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER REQUIRES THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
10:19:37 FUNDING OF THAT LIGHT.
10:19:39 AND THAT IS TO BE DONE THIS CALENDAR YEAR.
10:19:43 I BELIEVE THAT THEY ARE BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE
10:19:47 VILLAGE COUNCIL IS SERIOUS ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT THEY DO
10:19:51 WHAT THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO DO.
10:19:53 AND THE REQUEST WOULD BE TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER
10:19:58 AND THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO CONTINUE THOSE CONVERSATIONS AND
10:20:02 TO PREPARE LITIGATION TO FORCE -- THE DECLARATORY JUDGMENT
10:20:06 TYPE OF ACTION TO FORCE LENNAR TO COMPLY WITH THE
10:20:12 REQUIREMENTS IN THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER.
10:20:13 NOW, IF THE BOARD --
10:20:14 >>Mayor Ribble: I DON'T THINK THAT'S CLEAR, BURT, AND I
10:20:18 DON'T AGREE WITH THAT COMMENT.
10:20:19 WE HAVE TRIED TO WORK WITH THESE PEOPLE SINCE AUGUST.
10:20:22 WE'VE TALKED AND TALKED, SENT LETTERS.
10:20:24 DAVID, YOU PROBABLY HAVE A LOG SOMEWHERE WITH THIS GUY SMITH
10:20:27 THAT YOU'VE TALKED TO.
10:20:29 THIS MEETING TODAY -- AND REALLY, THE ONLY REASON I'M HAVING
10:20:33 THIS MEETING TODAY, WE HAD TO DO THE FINANCE, BUT THE OTHER
10:20:36 PIECE IS THIS TRAFFIC LIGHT AT PELICAN COLONY BOULEVARD AND
10:20:42 41.
10:20:42 WE WORKED ON THIS THING SINCE KIKER FIRST GOT ELECTED.
10:20:46 I MEAN, THIS THING HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR YEARS.
10:20:48 WE FINALLY GOT THE WARRANTS APPROVED IN AUGUST.
10:20:50 THE HOSPITAL WAS A BIG DRIVER IN THIS THING.
10:20:52 EVERY DAY -- YOU GOT TO GO OVER THERE SOME DAY WHEN YOU HAVE
10:20:55 NOTHING TO DO.
10:20:56 GO OVER THERE BETWEEN 4:00 AND 6:00 AND SEE HOW MANY PEOPLE
-- I MEAN, THIS WHOLE THING IS A ZOO OVER THERE.
THAT CROSSOVER, THEY GOT FOUR AND FIVE GOING THIS WAY AND
FOUR AND FIVE GOING THAT WAY.
NO ONE CAN SEE.
WE HAD ONE OF THE SHERIFF'S CARS DEMOLISHED IN JANUARY OVER
THERE.
WE HAD THE OPEN HOUSE.
THE CAPTAIN THAT RUNS THAT CENTER OVER HERE IN ESTERO FOR
THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HE MADE A COMMENT ABOUT IT, THAT
WE NEED TO GET THIS LIGHT.
WE NEED TO MOVE WITH LITIGATION.
WE NEED TO SEE IF THE COUNCIL IS GOING TO SUPPORT THIS.
WE HAD COMMENTS TO BRING IT ON.
WE DID.
WE HAVE IT ON THE AGENDA.
NOW WE WANT TO VOTE TO MOVE TOWARDS LITIGATION TODAY.
THAT'S WHAT THIS MEETING IS ABOUT.
>>Burt Saunders: MAYBE I DIDN'T ARTICULATE THIS VERY
CLEARLY.
>>Mayor Ribble: YOU MAKE IT SOUND LIKE YOU WANT TO HAVE
STEVE CONTINUE TO TRY TO WORK WITH THE PEOPLE.
WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO WORK WITH THEM.
THAT'S NOT WORKING.
SO WE NEED TO GO TO THE NEXT LEVEL.
>>Burt Saunders: LET ME BE CLEAR WHAT I INTENDED TO SAY AND
WHAT I THOUGHT I DID SAY.
YOU WOULD BE AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO PROCEED TO
LITIGATION, BUT AT THE SAME TIME AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO
CONTINUE THE DISCUSSIONS BUT TO GO AHEAD AND AUTHORIZE THE
RETAINING OF COUNSEL TO FILE A DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ACTION.
NO DELAYS.
WE CAN BEGIN THAT PROCESS IMMEDIATELY.
NOW, JUST FOR INFORMATION FOR THE COUNCIL, GRAY ROBINSON HAS
A POTENTIAL OF A CONFLICT BECAUSE MY LAW FIRM DOES REPRESENT
LENNAR IN OTHER COMMUNITIES.
SO WE WOULD WORK WITH THE MANAGER TO RETAIN THE APPROPRIATE
COUNSEL TO FILE THAT LITIGATION.
BUT THAT IS WHAT I WAS SUGGESTING.
THE MANAGER BE AUTHORIZED TO RETAIN COUNSEL TO FILE A
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT, OR WHATEVER OTHER LEGAL ACTION WOULD
BE APPROPRIATE TO FORCE THE ISSUE.
I DID SAY THAT THE MANAGER SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO CONTINUE
CONVERSATIONS BECAUSE I THINK THAT YOUR ACTION TODAY IS
GOING TO FORCE THAT --
>>Mayor Ribble: MY STRONG OPINION -- YOU KNOW I'M PASSIONATE
ABOUT THIS -- WE TALKED ABOUT THIS HOW MANY MONTHS.
THE FIRST TIME WE HAD THIS CONVERSATION AT THE COUNCIL
MEETING IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DISCLOSED AT THAT MEETING THAT
YOU GUYS HAD A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.
YOU NEVER BROUGHT THAT UP.
SO I JUST WANT TO REMIND YOU, I THINK WE HAVE WASTED A WHOLE MONTH ON THIS THING.
DO WE NEED A MOTION ON THIS?
BILL, BEFORE YOU GO ON, I HAVE A COUPLE OF THINGS TO SAY, TOO.
>>Mayor Ribble: WHAT DID YOU SAY, HOWARD?
>>Howard Levitan: I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT AS WELL.
>>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, GO AHEAD.
I THINK THIS IS AN UNACCEPTABLE SITUATION.
IT REALLY IRRITATES ME.
BUT IN ADDITION TO TAKING LEGAL ACTION ON DECLARATORY BASIS TO FORCE THEM TO PAY, THIS IS ALSO A CODE VIOLATION.
AND I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE DONE THAT IMMEDIATELY SO THAT THE COST WILL START TICKING ON VIOLATION PENALTIES FOR THEM AS WELL SO THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD ON TWO DIFFERENT FRONTS.
IN THAT REGARD, GRAY ROBINSON CONFLICTED OUT, SO DEREK WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO THAT FROM A CODE ENFORCEMENT STANDPOINT.
I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE TAKE ALL NECESSARY LEGAL -- NOT JUST DECLARATORY JUDGMENT.
THANK YOU, HOWARD.
ANYONE ELSE HAVE A COMMENT ON COUNCIL?
WHAT DO WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD?
I THOUGHT THESE WERE REGARDING THIS TRAFFIC LIGHT BECAUSE IT WAS ON THE AGENDA.
BUT THESE ARE REGARDING THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT LOWES.
WE NEED TO ALLOW HER TO SPEAK AFTER --
THAT'S FINE.
THE FIRST PERSON IS JANE NIEHAUS.
DO WE HAVE SOMEBODY WHO WANTS TO TALK?
I THOUGHT THESE WERE REGARDING THIS TRAFFIC LIGHT BECAUSE IT WAS ON THE AGENDA.
BUT THESE ARE REGARDING THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT LOWES.
WE NEED TO ALLOW HER TO SPEAK AFTER --
BURT.
I THINK THE MOTION THAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IS TO AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO PROCEED TO LITIGATION AND ALSO DIRECTING STAFF TO EXPLORE WHETHER OR NOT THIS IS A CODE VIOLATION, AND IF SO, TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IMMEDIATELY ON THE CODE VIOLATION.
I BELIEVE THAT'S THE MOTION.
NICK.
I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THAT MOTION.
SECOND.
KATY SECONDS.
PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, MADAM CLERK.
AYE.
AYE.
10:25:51    >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
10:25:54    >>Jon McLain: AYE.
10:25:56    >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
10:25:58    >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
10:25:59    >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
10:26:00    GO AHEAD.
10:26:06    >>Burt Saunders: THE THIRD ITEM, IF YOU'RE FINISHED WITH
10:26:08    THAT.
10:26:08    >>Mayor Ribble: YES.
10:26:09    >>Burt Saunders: THE THIRD ITEM IS DEALING WITH THE
10:26:11    RESOLUTION 2020-03.
10:26:15    SO YOU'LL NEED THE TITLE OF THAT READ INTO THE RECORD.
10:26:24    >>Kathy Hall: RESOLUTION 2020-03, A RESOLUTION OF THE
10:26:27    VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, DECLARING
10:26:29    A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY
10:26:31    GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS RELATED TO THE OUTBREAK OF THE
10:26:34    CORONAVIRUS DISEASE OF 2019 (COVID-19), AND PROVIDING AN
10:26:40    EFFECTIVE DATE.
10:26:45    >>Burt Saunders: MR. MAYOR, I HAD A CONVERSATION WITH
10:26:46    COUNCILOR HOWARD LEVITAN THIS MORNING WHO POINTED OUT A
10:26:50    COUPLE OF THINGS THAT WE NEEDED TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT, AND I
10:26:52    WANT TO GO THROUGH WHAT THOSE ARE.
10:26:55    IN YOUR ORDINANCE 2018-08, THAT DEALS WITH WHAT HAPPENS WHEN
10:27:01    YOU DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY.
10:27:04    IN SECTION 8 OF THAT, THERE ARE A COUPLE OF PROVISIONS THAT
10:27:08    YOU DO NOT WANT TO -- I DON'T BELIEVE YOU WANT TO HAVE APPLY
10:27:12    IN THIS SITUATION.
10:27:14    IN SECTION 8, PARAGRAPHS A, DEALS WITH THE USE OF DRINKING
10:27:22    WATER AND POTABLE WATER.
10:27:23    THAT IS REALLY MEANT TO DEAL WITH WHEN THERE IS A HURRICANE
10:27:26    AND THERE ARE PROBLEMS WITH WATER SUPPLY OR IF THERE'S A
10:27:31    DROUGHT.
10:27:32    SO THAT SECTION A WOULD NOT APPLY TO THE CIRCUMSTANCE.
10:27:36    SECTION A SAYS IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL AND OFFENSE AGAINST THE
10:27:39    VILLAGE FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM, CORPORATION TO USE A POTABLE
10:27:42    WATER SUPPLY FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN COOKING, DRINKING,
10:27:45    OR BATHING.
10:27:46    THAT'S NOT AN ISSUE THAT WOULD BE RELEVANT TO THIS
10:27:50    SITUATION.
10:27:50    SECTION B DEALS WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CURFEW FROM DUSK
10:27:59    TO DAWN, AND THAT OBVIOUSLY WOULD NOT BE APPLICABLE TO YOUR
10:28:05    SITUATION TODAY.
10:28:06    WHEN YOU ADOPT THE RESOLUTION 2020-03, IT WILL BE CLEAR THAT
10:28:13    IT DOES NOT COVER THE SECTION 8 A AND B OF ORDINANCE
10:28:19    2018-08, OR NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PARTICULAR DECLARATION.
10:28:26    >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHY WOULD YOU EXCLUDE WATER?
10:28:31    >>Burt Saunders: THAT'S THE POLICY DECISION.
10:28:34    >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHY NOT INCLUDE IT?
THAT'S ONE OF THE MOST CRITICAL THINGS.

>>Burt Saunders: THERE IS NO ISSUE DEALING WITH POTABLE WATER.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: BUT WE DON'T KNOW.

>>Burt Saunders: YOU CAN ALWAYS COME BACK AND DEAL WITH THAT.

AGAIN, THIS IS NOT MY DECISION, IT'S YOURS.

TO IMPOSE RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF WATER WHEN IT'S NOT NECESSARY I THINK, IN MY VIEW, WOULD NOT BE THE APPROPRIATE THING FOR THE COUNCIL TO DO.

BUT THIS IS YOUR ORDINANCE AND YOUR RESOLUTION.

>>Mayor Ribble: WHAT HAS BONITA SPRINGS DONE WITH THIS?

DO WE KNOW, DEREK?

>>Derek Rooney: DEREK ROONEY.

THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS ENACTED AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION BUT ONLY AUTHORIZED THEIR MANAGER TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS REQUESTED BY THE GOVERNOR AND HEALTH OFFICIALS.

NOTHING WITH RESPECT TO CURFEWS, WATER, PRICE GOUGING, ANY OF THE OTHER ISSUES.

THese are automatic provisions in your code that go into PLACE, BECAUSE I THINK IT'S ANTICIPATING A HURRICANE OR OTHER NATURAL CATASTROPHE, AND NOT SOMETHING THAT IS AS NOVEL AS THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: HOW LONG IS THIS GOOD FOR?

>>Derek Rooney: SEVEN-DAY INCREASEMENTS.

>>Burt Saunders: IT GOES IN SEVEN-DAY INCREASEMENTS, AND THE MANAGER IS AUTHORIZED TO EXTEND THOSE BY NOTIFYING THAT THE DECLARATION IS EXTENDED.

THEY DON'T HAVE TO COME BACK TO A VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING.

SECTION 5 DEALS WITH THE DURATION OF THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL AND STATE EMERGENCY AND PROVIDES -- I'LL READ THE SECTION -- THE DURATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY CANNOT EXCEED SEVEN DAYS WITHOUT BEING EXTENDED AS NECESSARY BY AUTHORIZED VILLAGE OFFICIALS THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL PROCLAMATIONS IN SEVEN-DAY INCREASEMENTS.

SO THE MANAGER WOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO CONTINUE THIS DECLARATION AS LONG AS NECESSARY.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: GO MORE INTO DETAIL ABOUT THE WATER, BECAUSE I'M NOT GETTING THIS.

>>Burt Saunders: THE ONLY THING I CAN SAY ABOUT THE WATER IS WHAT YOUR ORDINANCE SAYS.

IT SAYS THAT WHENEVER A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY IS DECLARED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE IS IN EFFECT THE FOLLOWING PROHIBITIONS SHALL APPLY THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE UNLESS AND UNTIL ONE OR MORE OF SUCH PROHIBITIONS HAVE BEEN WAIVED OR MODIFIED BY ACTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AT A GENERAL, SPECIAL, OR EMERGENCY MEETING WHERE A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

SECTION 8, PARENTHESSES A, SAYS, IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL AND AN
OFFENSE AGAINST THE VILLAGE FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION TO USE A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN COOKING, DRINKING, OR BATHING.

THAT'S A LOGICAL RESTRICTION ON THE USE OF WATER IN CERTAIN TYPES OF EMERGENCIES.

THERE IS NO INDICATION OF ANY RESTRICTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH POTABLE WATER SUPPLY.

JUST AS AN EXAMPLE AND MAY BE A CRAZY EXAMPLE.

IF SOMEBODY WANTS TO WASH THEIR CAR, THEY CAN DO THAT.

IF SOME KIDS WANT TO PLAY IN THE YARD AND SQUIRT EACH OTHER WITH A HOSE, THEY CAN DO THAT.

IF YOU LEAVE THIS RESTRICTION IN, THAT WOULD BE A VIOLATION.

MY POINT IS THAT IT'S NOT A RESTRICTION THAT REALLY APPLIES TO THIS CIRCUMSTANCE.

>>Howard Levitan: I THINK WE SHOULD DELETE ALL THREE -- [AUDIO CUTS OUT]

>>Burt Saunders: THE THIRD ONE COUNCILMAN LEVITAN IS TALKING ABOUT DEALS WITH PRICE GOUGING.

THAT'S HANDLED AT THE STATE LEVEL AS WELL.

YOU CAN DELETE THAT ONE IF YOU SEE FIT TO.

THAT ONE SAYS IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON OR EMPLOYEE TO RENDER, SELL, OR OFFER -- IT GOES ON -- FOR CONSUMPTION AT ELEVATED PRICES.

THAT'S THE PRICE GOUGING ISSUE.

YOU CAN DELETE THAT AS WELL.

THAT ONE DOES APPLY IN THIS CIRCUMSTANCE, BUT IT'S COVERED BY THE STATE DECLARATION.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: WE ARE ASSUMING THEN THAT BONITA SPRINGS UTILITIES AND LEE COUNTY UTILITIES WILL KEEP THE WATER FLOWING AND IT WILL BE HEALTHY AND THE WATER WILL BE FILTERED AND EVERYBODY WILL HAVE GOOD CLEAN DRINKING WATER.

AND WE DON'T HAVE -- WE HAVE TO THINK AND HOPE THAT NOBODY GETS ILL THERE AND THE WATER IS FLOWING.

BUT DON'T WASH YOUR CAR --

>>Burt Saunders: I THINK THE ASSUMPTION IS THAT PUBLIC UTILITIES WILL CONTINUE NORMAL OPERATIONS UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES.

IF SOMEONE BECOMES ILL, THERE WILL BE PEOPLE THAT CAN REPLACE THOSE PEOPLE.

SAME THING WITH THE ELECTRIC SERVICE.

THE ASSUMPTION IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ELECTRICITY.

THOSE ESSENTIAL SERVICES ARE NOT GOING TO CHANGE.

>>Nick Batos: MY UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS THAT WE ARE NOW GOING TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH WHAT THE STATE HAS ALREADY MANDATED.

WE'RE GOING TO FOLLOW THEIR DIRECTIONS AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO ADD IN ANY ADDITIONAL THINGS THAT THEY HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE.
10:33:47  >>Burt Saunders: THAT'S PARTIALLY CORRECT.
10:33:49  WHAT THIS STATE OF EMERGENCY DOES IS IT GIVES YOUR MANAGER
10:33:52  THE ABILITY TO TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS DEEMED APPROPRIATE TO
10:33:55  PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE, WHICH
10:33:57  INCLUDES THINGS SUCH AS ENTERING INTO CONTRACTS, PURCHASING
10:34:00  SUPPLIES, DEALING WITH ANY ISSUES THAT ARE RELEVANT TO THE
10:34:05  VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
10:34:06  >>Nick Batos: I WAS RELATING TO REMOVING THOSE THREE THINGS
10:34:09  IS BASICALLY PUTTING US IN COMPLIANCE WITH WHAT THE STATE,
10:34:12  THE COUNTY, AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS NOW DOING.
10:34:14  >>Burt Saunders: THAT'S CORRECT.
10:34:15  >>Nick Batos: I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE SHOULD BE STANDING IN
10:34:18  LINE WITH THEM ALSO.
10:34:24  >>Jon McLain: I'D LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT ON THAT.
10:34:26  THE PRICE GOUGING SITUATION HANDLED BY THE STATE, I'M IN
10:34:31  AGREEMENT WITH ELIMINATING IT FROM ESTERO, BUT IS THERE A
10:34:34  PROCESS WHERE IF WE RECEIVE A COMPLAINT, A CONSTITUENT ABOUT
10:34:41  SOMEBODY MAYBE PRICE GOUGING, WE HAVE A PROCESS WHERE WE CAN
10:34:45  REPORT THAT TO THE STATE FOR THEIR ENFORCEMENT SINCE WE
10:34:48  REALLY DON'T HAVE THE WHEREWITHAL TO ENFORCE THAT.
10:34:53  IS THERE A PROCESS THAT WE CAN USE TO SUPPORT THAT?
10:34:57  >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, THERE IS A WEBSITE YOU CAN GO ON AND
10:35:00  FILE YOUR COMPLAINT.
10:35:02  IT'S ALREADY SET UP FOR THAT.
10:35:04  >>Jon McLain: OKAY.
10:35:05  AND THAT'S ON OUR WEBSITE ALSO?
10:35:08  >>Mayor Ribble: WHAT'S THAT?
10:35:09  >>Jon McLain: IS THAT PROCESS INCLUDED ON OUR WEBSITE --
10:35:12  >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S BEEN ON THERE SINCE -- I'VE GOT TO BE
10:35:15  HONEST WITH YOU -- BEFORE WE WERE EVEN A COUNCIL BECAUSE I
10:35:18  HAD A SITUATION OVER IN MIAMI AFTER A HURRICANE -- WON'T GET
10:35:27  INTO THE STORY.
10:35:27  THERE WAS PRICE GOUGING.
10:35:28  I WROTE TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SHE TOOK CARE OF IT.
10:35:31  THERE IS A PROCESS.
10:35:34  >>Jon McLain: I'M GOOD WITH THOSE THREE DELETIONS.
10:35:41  >>Burt Saunders: WE NEED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION
10:35:43  WITH THE RECOGNITION THAT YOU'RE COMPLYING WITH YOUR
10:35:48  ORDINANCE DEALING WITH WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THERE IS AN
10:35:52  EMERGENCY, BUT SECTION 8 A, B, AND C ARE NOT INCLUDED IN
10:35:58  YOUR DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY.
10:36:02  >>Vice-Mayor Errington: THE QUESTION IS, IF WE APPROVE IT,
10:36:06  LIKE WHAT YOU'RE SUGGESTING NOW, IF THE SITUATION CHANGES
10:36:11  BEFORE SEVEN OR EIGHT DAYS, DOES STEVE HAVE THE AUTHORITY
10:36:14  THEN TO ADD THOSE OR DO WE HAVE TO COME BACK AND --
10:36:19  >>Burt Saunders: I THINK UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, YOU
10:36:21  WOULD PROBABLY WANT TO HAVE A MEETING WHICH CAN BE A
10:36:24  TELEPHONIC MEETING, AS IT WOULD BE AN EMERGENCY MEETING
DEALING WITH THIS EMERGENCY.

BUT I THINK AT THAT POINT, STEVE WOULD WANT THE COVER OF HAVING THE COUNCIL TO DIRECT HIM TO THAT.

>>Mayor Ribble: LET ME REAFFIRM.

I ALREADY TALKED TO YOU ON THE PHONE ABOUT THIS.

IF WE HAVE ANY TYPE OF BUSINESS THAT WE HAVE TO DO HENCEFORTH AFTER WE MAKE THIS MOTION AND APPROVE IT, WE CAN HAVE A COUNCIL MEETING BY PHONE.

>>Burt Saunders: THAT'S WHAT -- ONCE THIS WAS APPROVED, I WAS GOING TO BRING UP THE ISSUE OF THE FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS.

YOU CAN HAVE A TELEPHONIC COUNCIL MEETING TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUES DEAL WITH THIS EMERGENCY.

BUT YOUR GENERAL BUSINESS, YOU CANNOT. SO THIS RESOLUTION AUTHORIZES THE MANAGER TO CONDUCT THAT BUSINESS FOR YOU WITHOUT YOU HAVING TO MEET.

THAT'S ANOTHER ISSUE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO NEED TO DISCUSS IS WHEN DO YOU WANT TO HAVE ANOTHER MEETING?

RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE SCHEDULED TO MEET FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS.

YOU MAY NOT WANT TO HAVE THAT MANY MEETINGS.

THAT'S ANOTHER DISCUSSION.

THIS WILL GIVE YOU THE ABILITY TO -- THE MANAGER WILL TAKE CARE OF YOUR DAY-TO-DAY BUSINESS.

IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY ITEM DEALING WITH THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM, YOU CAN HAVE A MEETING VIA TELEPHONE.

>>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

SOMEONE MAKE THE MOTION?

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>Mayor Ribble: MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

>>Howard Levitan: AYE.

>>Jon McLain: AYE.

>>Jim Boesch: AYE.

>>Nick Batos: AYE.

>>Jim Wilson: AYE.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.

>>Mayor Ribble: AYE.

Burt Saunders: A KIND OF SUBISSUE ON THIS PARTICULAR TOPIC, YOUR ISSUE OF YOUR NEXT MEETINGS AND HOW YOU WANT TO PROCEED WITH MEETINGS.

YOUR BUSINESS WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF.

THE QUESTION IS WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO CONTINUE YOUR REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE.

I WILL TELL YOU THAT MOST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE NOT.

EXAMPLE, COLLIER COUNTY, WE WILL HAVE A MEETING IN COLLIER MEETING ON TUESDAY, BUT AFTER THAT, NO ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS, NO COUNCIL MEETINGS, NO WORKSHOPS UNTIL THE
MANAGER DETERMINES THAT ONE IS NECESSARY.

THAT COULD BE A 30-DAY PERIOD.

IT COULD BE LONGER, UNTIL THE MANAGER IN CONSULTATION WITH

THE MAYOR MAKES --

>>Mayor Ribble: STEVE IS GOING TO TELL US WHEN OUR NEXT

MEETING IS AFTER 30 DAYS.

>>Burt Saunders: IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAYOR.

>>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.

>>Mayor Ribble: EVERYONE OKAY WITH THAT?

>>Nick Batos: MAYBE SOMETIME DURING THE PROCESS, SINCE WE

ARE GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE C.I.P. COMING UP RATHER

QUICKLY, AND IT IS AN INVOLVED PROCESS, MAYBE ON A PHONE

CONVERSATION BY ONE BY ONE, MAYBE WE COULD DO THAT SO THAT

WE COULD START THE PROCESS ANYWAY BECAUSE WE WILL BE LOSING

A LOT OF TIME IN THIS.

>>Mayor Ribble: DO IT BY PHONE.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHAT IS THE DEADLINE ON THAT, STEVE?

>>Steven Sarkozy: WELL, WE'RE THREE OR FOUR MONTHS AHEAD OF

SCHEDULE ON THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

>>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.

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THE STATE OF EMERGENCY, IF YOU WANT TO HAVE A WORKSHOP, YOU WILL HAVE TO HAVE FOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS IN THE ROOM.
YOU CAN HAVE THE OTHER THREE ON THE TELEPHONE, OBVIOUSLY,
BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO HAVE A QUORUM IN THE ROOM.
NOW, THE GOVERNOR MAY ISSUE AN ORDER THAT CHANGES THAT, BUT UNTIL YOU GET THAT ORDER FROM THE GOVERNOR, THAT'S THE STATUS.

>>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON THIS ISSUE? DO WE NEED A VOTE OR A MOTION OR ANYTHING, BURT?
>>Burt Saunders: I THINK JUST A CONSENSUS THAT --
>>Vice-Mayor Errington: I JUST DON'T WANT TO PUT PRESSURE ON STEVE TO TRY TO FIGURE THIS OUT FOR THE NEXT 10, 20 YEARS.
WE JUST NEED TO MAKE THIS AS SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE UNDER THE SITUATION, THE CIRCUMSTANCES RIGHT NOW, AND NOT CHEW UP YOUR TIME.

YOU HAVE AN AWFUL LOT TO DO, AND TO LET US TALK WITH YOU INDIVIDUALLY VIA PHONE.
SO I'M GOOD.

>>Nick Batos: IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, THOUGH, WHAT WE'RE GETTING THE CONSENSUS ON IS NOT THE C.I.P.; WE'RE GETTING CONSENSUS ON NOT HAVING MEETINGS UNTIL STEVE BRINGS UP THE NEXT MEETING.
THAT'S WHAT THE CONSENSUS IS ABOUT.
>> THAT'S CORRECT.
>>Vice-Mayor Errington: OKAY.
WELL, WE GOT SIDETRACKED IN TALKING ABOUT THE TELEPHONE CALL INDIVIDUALLY.
>>Nick Batos: I JUST BRING UP TO CLARIFY.
THAT'S ALL.
>>Vice-Mayor Errington: THAT'S WHERE WE WERE TALKING ABOUT SEVERAL THINGS AT ONE TIME HERE.
>>Burt Saunders: LET'S DO A ROLL CALL ON THAT ISSUE.
THERE ARE CHARTER ISSUES.
>>Mayor Ribble: LET'S BACK UP.
VERBALIZE WHAT WE'RE GIVING YOU CONSENSUS ON.

>>Burt Saunders: LET'S DO A ROLL-CALL VOTE ON THE ISSUE OF SCHEDULING MEETINGS, THAT THE MANAGER WITH CONSULTATION WITH THE MAYOR WILL DETERMINE WHEN YOUR NEXT SUBSTANTIVE MEETING WILL BE.
IF THERE IS A NEED TO HAVE A MEETING BECAUSE OF THIS EMERGENCY, THAT WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF VIA TELEPHONE.
THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION TO GIVE THE MANAGER THE AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE WHEN THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE.
>>Mayor Ribble: WHO WILL MAKE THE MOTION?
>>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'LL MAKE IT.
>>Mayor Ribble: SECOND IS NICK AGAIN.
CALL THE ROLL AGAIN, PLEASE, MADAM CLERK.
10:43:38    >>Nick Batos: AYE.
10:43:39    >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
10:43:42    >>Jon McLain: AYE.
10:43:44    >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
10:43:47    >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
10:43:48    >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
10:43:49    OKAY, BURT IS THAT IT?
10:43:53    >>Burt Saunders: THAT'S IT.
10:43:54    STEVE, ANYTHING?
10:43:57    >>Steven Sarkozy: KYLE MENTIONED THIS, BUT FOR THE BENEFIT
10:44:01    OF THE PUBLIC AND THE COUNCIL, VILLAGE HALL IS OPEN, AND WE
10:44:07    HAVE TAKEN A LOT OF MEASURES TO TRY TO BOTH ENCOURAGE AND
10:44:12    ENABLE PEOPLE TO DO WORK WITH THE VILLAGE WITHOUT HAVING TO
10:44:17    COME IN.
10:44:18    SO ELECTRONIC RECORDS, THAT TYPE OF THING AND ELECTRONIC
10:44:22    COMMUNICATION.
10:44:24    ALL OF OUR STAFF ARE ON DUTY EVERY DAY.
10:44:29    WE'VE MADE EFFORTS TO GET PEOPLE OUT OF HERE AND WORK FROM
10:44:32    HOME, BUT OUR STAFF IS CONNECTED TO OUR WEBSITES, TO OUR
10:44:41    INTERNAL I.T. SYSTEM VIA OUR COMPUTERS, LAPTOPS, AS WELL AS
10:44:48    BEING READILY AVAILABLE BY CELL PHONE.
10:44:52    SO WE ARE OPEN, WE ARE ON DUTY AND AVAILABLE WITHOUT ANY
10:45:00    TYPES OF GLITCHES.
10:45:01    WE'LL BE UPDATING THE WEBSITE WITH INFORMATION ON A DAILY
10:45:05    BASIS, IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, LET US KNOW.
10:45:10    WE'RE NOT COMING UP WITH NEW INFORMATION HERE AT THE VILLAGE
10:45:12    BECAUSE THIS GOES FAR BEYOND US AND IS BEING WELL CONTROLLED
10:45:17    AT THE FEDERAL AND STATE AND COUNTY LEVEL.
10:45:19    WE DON'T HAVE MANY FACILITIES.
10:45:24    OUR FACILITY HERE, WHICH WE RENT, OF COURSE, WE ARE
10:45:30    DISINFECTING ON A DAILY BASIS.
10:45:32    ALL OF THE PUBLIC AREAS ARE BEING DISINFECTED SO IF YOU DO
10:45:37    COME IN, THERE'S A REASONABLE CHANCE THAT EVERYTHING IS
10:45:40    CLEAN AND SO FORTH.
10:45:41    NOW THAT WE HAVE THE HAPPEHATCHEE CENTER UNDER OUR DIRECT
10:45:50    CONTROL AND OWNERSHIP, WE'VE SHUT THAT DOWN FOR THE
10:45:52    FORESEEABLE FUTURE.
10:45:54    AND THAT'S ALL REALLY PART OF THE TRANSITION FROM
10:45:59    HAPPEHATCHEE OVER TO THE VILLAGE.
10:46:02    WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING SOME HEAVY DEMOLITION WORK OUT THERE
10:46:05    ON SOME OF THE STRUCTURES ON THE PROPERTY THAT WE OWN AND ON
10:46:09    THE FENCE, REMOVING THE FENCE BETWEEN THE HAPPEHATCHEE
10:46:12    CENTER AND OUR PROPERTY.
10:46:13    SO WE'RE CLOSING THE HAPPEHATCHEE CENTER FOR ANY TYPE OF
10:46:18    ACTIVITY FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.
10:46:22    IF ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS, CERTAINLY LET US KNOW.
10:46:29    IT'S GOING TO LOOK DIFFERENT, OF COURSE, BUT WE'RE AVAILABLE
10:46:33    AND ON DUTY.
10:46:36    THAT'S IT.
10:46:39    >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:46:40    NOW, THERE WERE A COUPLE OF PEOPLE HERE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.
10:46:42    >>Kathy Hall: JANE NIEHAUS WANTED TO SPEAK ON THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT LOWES.
10:46:49    LIGHT AT LOWES.
10:46:50    I HAVE A WRITTEN STATEMENT AS WELL.
10:46:52    >>Mayor Ribble: LET'S GO AHEAD WITH THAT BEFORE WE ADJOURN.
10:47:01    >> GOOD MORNING.
10:47:02    JANE NIEHAUS, CORKSCREW WOODLANDS.
10:47:05    THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED CONCERN FOR OUR HEALTH AND SAFETY.
10:47:09    I AM HERE TO FIND OUT WHO CAN SPEAK WITH AUTHORITY ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT LOWES.
10:47:19    I AM ALSO REQUESTING A WRITTEN STATUS REPORT THAT I CAN TAKE BACK TO CORKSCREW WOODLANDS AND ISLAND CLUB.
10:47:26    IN MULTIPLE MEETINGS WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE VILLAGE, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD WITH CERTAINTY THAT IN NO WAY WOULD STOCK'S INVOLVEMENT HOLD UP THE PROGRESS OF THE PROJECT.
10:47:35    BILL SAVAGE SHARED AN E-MAIL WITH ME FROM MR. BOESCH THAT STATES OTHERWISE.
10:47:47    SO WHOEVER CAN SPEAK WITH AUTHORITY I'M HOPING CAN ADDRESS THAT FOR ME.
10:47:58    >> ALL OF YOUR QUESTIONS SHOULD GO THROUGH DAVID WILLEMS, OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.
10:48:00    DAVID IS HERE AND CAN SPEAK.
10:48:13    STOCK'S PROJECT IS NOT HOLDING UP THE PROJECT.
10:48:17    WHAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH IS LEE COUNTY AND THE OTHER TWO PROPERTY OWNERS TO GET THEM SIMILAR TO THE PELICAN COLONY.
10:48:22    THAT THE PROPERTY OWNERS AROUND THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL ARE THE ONES REQUIRED TO PAY FOR THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL, NOT THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
10:48:34    THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO IS REALLY JUST TRYING TO FACILITATE IT RIGHT NOW TO GET EVERYBODY TOGETHER SO THAT IT ACTUALLY GETS BUILT.
10:48:40    WE ACTUALLY TOOK THE STEP A YEAR AGO TO PAY TO FRONT THE COST TO PAY FOR THE DESIGN AND PERMITTING OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL.
10:48:44    WE'VE DONE THAT.
10:48:50    THE DESIGN IS FINISHED.
10:48:52    100% PLANS.
10:48:53    THEY ARE FINALIZING THE PERMITS.
10:48:57    RIGHT NOW, THE COUNTY AND THE LANDOWNERS AND THEIR ATTORNEY ARE WORKING TO COME UP WITH AN AGREEMENT, KIND OF THE FORMALIZED AGREEMENT THAT ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO BID THE
PROJECT.
SO WHAT HAS TO HAPPEN NEXT IS WE HAVE THE PLANS DONE.
THE COUNTY IS REVIEWING THEM, FINALIZING THEIR APPROVAL.
THE NEXT STEP IS TO GET THE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY ALL THE
PARTIES, INCLUDING THE COUNTY.
THEN EACH OF THOSE PARTIES NEEDS TO PAY THE COUNTY THEIR
PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE COST, SO THEN THE COUNTY WILL BID
THE PROJECT OUT AND GET IT BUILT.
SO WE'RE TRYING TO FACILITATE IT.
STOCK'S INVOLVEMENT Didn'T HOLD IT UP.
IT'S THE OTHER PROPERTY OWNERS, REALLY, THEY HAVEN'T COME TO
THE TABLE TO PAY FOR THE SIGNAL YET.
IT SOUNDS OVER THE LAST MONTH OR SO, THEY ARE ACTUALLY
TALKING TO US ABOUT IT.
AND WE ARE WORKING WITH THEM TO TRY TO GET TO THE FINAL
AGREEMENT.
IT'S MOVING FORWARD, NOT AS FAST AS WE WOULD LIKE, BUT IT IS
MOVING FORWARD NOW.
HOW DO YOU PUT THE LIGHT UP WITHOUT HAVING THE
STREET PUT IN?
WHAT WAS THE QUESTION?
THE FRONTAGE ROAD?
WELL, THE FRONTAGE ROAD IS THE KEY PART IN THAT ONCE THE
SIGNAL IS INSTALLED, IF THAT STOCK DEVELOPMENT FRONTAGE ROAD
ISN'T BUILT, THE RESIDENTS FROM CORKSCREW WOODLANDS
BOULEVARD DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE SIGNAL.
IT COULD MARGINALLY HELP GIVING THEM A LITTLE BIT MORE GAP
TO MAKE THE LEFT OUT, BUT IT'S STILL NOT A SAFE TURN OUT.
THE FRONTAGE ROAD IN COMBINATION OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL IS
REALLY WHAT'S GOING TO FIX THE ISSUE THERE.
THE PEOPLE OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES ARE LOOKING
FOR A SAFE WAY TO GET OUT OF THE COMMUNITY, AND THAT LIGHT
WAS SET UP IN A CONDITION OF THE PATH OF THE STREET WHERE --
BE DONE.
IS STOCK WILLING TO PUT THE STREET IN WITH ACCORDANCE WITH
THE LIGHT ONCE YOU GET APPROVAL OF IT?
David Willems: YEAH.
PART OF THE ZONING IS THE REQUIREMENT FOR THEM.
I THINK THEIR FIRST PHASE HAS TO INCLUDE THAT FRONTAGE ROAD.
THEY WILL DO IT?
David Willems: YEAH.
WE'VE HAD NO INDICATIONS THAT THAT IS NOT THE CASE.
Mayor Ribble: GO AHEAD.
[NOT SPEAKING INTO A MICROPHONE]
MR. MAYOR, SHE WILL HAVE TO COME TO THE MICROPHONE.
IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THAT TRAFFIC LIGHT WAS
WARRANTED YEARS AGO WITH OR WITHOUT THIS DEVELOPMENT GOING
FORWARD.
10:51:28    AGAIN, IF MR. WILLEMS WOULD SUMMARIZE ALL THIS IN A REPORT
10:51:34    FOR ME, I'D LIKE TO TAKE IT BACK TO THE COMMUNITIES, BECAUSE
10:51:37    WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF MIXED INFORMATION.
10:51:44    >>Jim Boesch: STEVE, WAS THAT WARRANTED YEARS AGO?
10:51:48    >>David Willems: IT HAS BEEN WARRANTED.
10:51:50    THE COUNTY HAS SAID IT'S WARRANTED.
10:51:52    BUT THAT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT THE APPROVALS THAT THE
10:51:54    ADJACENT DEVELOPMENTS RECEIVED WAS FOR THEM TO DESIGN,
10:51:57    PERMIT, AND CONSTRUCT THAT TRAFFIC SIGNAL AFTER IT WAS
10:52:01    WARRANTED.
10:52:02    WE WERE UNSUCCESSFUL IN GETTING THOSE DEVELOPMENTS TO DO
10:52:06    THAT, SO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO STEPPED IN, FRONTED THE MONEY
10:52:10    TO DESIGN AND PERMIT THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL SO THAT WE DIDN'T
10:52:13    GET MORE OF A DELAY AFTER WE COULD GET THEM TO PAY FOR IT.
10:52:16    SO, I MEAN, THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO IS REALLY A KIND OF
10:52:22    FACILITATOR IN THIS.
10:52:23    WE'RE NOT REALLY DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH THE SIGNAL.
10:52:26    IT'S NOT GOING TO BE OUR TRAFFIC SIGNAL WHEN IT'S BUILT.
10:52:29    IT'S GOING TO BE LEE COUNTY'S.
10:52:31    WE'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THE ONES PAYING FOR ANY OF THIS.
10:52:35    BUT IN ORDER TO GET IT TO MOVE FORWARD, WE HAVE PAID A
10:52:38    SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY TO GET IT MOVED FORWARD FASTER.
10:52:41    >>Mayor Ribble: NICK, DID YOU HAVE SOMETHING?
10:52:42    >>Nick Batos: IS THERE ANY SIMILARITY BETWEEN THIS AND THE
10:52:45    PELICAN -- THE OTHER TRAFFIC LIGHT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT?
10:52:50    IF THERE IS --
10:52:51    >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, BOTH OF THEM ARE TAKING FOREVER.
10:52:53    THAT IS THE SIMILARITY.
10:52:54    I JUST DON'T GET -- I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS.
10:52:57    WE ARE THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
10:52:59    WE SHOULD HANDLE THESE PROJECTS.
10:53:03    WE'VE GOT TO HOLD THESE PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE IF THEY ARE NOT
10:53:06    SIGNING OFF ON SOME OF THESE PROJECTS THAT THEY ARE
10:53:07    COMMITTED BY THEIR DRI TO SIGN OFF ON.
10:53:13    >>Nick Batos: THAT'S WHAT I WAS GETTING AT.
10:53:14    IF THERE IS A SIMILARITY, THEN MAYBE WE SHOULD CONSIDER
10:53:17    DOING WHATEVER LITIGATION WE NEED TO GET THESE OTHER PEOPLE
10:53:20    TO SIGN IN TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THIS.
10:53:23    >>Mayor Ribble: MY THOUGHT EXACTLY.
10:53:24    I MEAN, REALLY, THIS IS RIDICULOUS.
10:53:28    I CAN UNDERSTAND WE DON'T GET THE WARRANTS.
10:53:33    I'VE HAD "NO" SLAMMED IN MY FACE A HUNDRED TIMES ON THIS
10:53:37    PELICAN LANDING THING GOING BACK TO 2010.
10:53:40    -- WAS INVOLVED IN THIS THING BACK IN 2007.
10:53:43    THAT'S HOW OLD THIS LIGHT IS.
10:53:45    NOW WE HAVE ANOTHER LIGHT.
10:53:47    C'MON.
10:53:47    LET'S MOVE.
10:53:49    LET'S MOVE.
10:53:49    PRETEND WE'RE IN THE DELIVERY BUSINESS.
10:53:53    NEXT DAY.
10:53:55    WE'VE GOT TO STEP THIS UP.
10:53:57    OKAY, ONE MORE.
10:54:00    >> IN THE E-MAIL, MR. BOESCH STATED THAT STEVE ASSURED HIM
10:54:05    THAT WE WILL PAY FOR THE LIGHT IF THE OTHER PARTIES HAVE NOT
10:54:09    PAID THEIR SHARE BY THE TIME IT IS READY TO BE INSTALLED.
10:54:11    SO THE PROBLEM WITH THE LIGHT IS WAITING FOR STOCK, NOT US.
10:54:22    >>Steven Sarkozy: IT'S NOT STOCK AT THIS POINT.
10:54:24    WE NEED THE FUNDING SOURCES FROM THE ADJOINING PROPERTY
10:54:26    OWNERS, AND THAT INCLUDES THE PROPERTY OWNERS ON THE NORTH
10:54:28    SIDE OF CORKSCREW IN THAT DEVELOPMENT.
10:54:30    MY UNDERSTANDING IS THEY ARE AT THE TABLE.
10:54:34    THEY ARE COMING TO GRIPS WITH THAT COST, APPORTIONED AMONGST
10:54:40    THE PROPERTIES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CORKSCREW.
10:54:45    IT IS JUST A MATTER OF TIME, HOPEFULLY A SHORT PERIOD OF
10:54:47    TIME, THAT THAT WILL BE DONE.
10:54:49    >> WE'VE BEEN AT THAT TABLE FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS.
10:54:51    THANK YOU.
10:54:52    >>Jim Boesch: MA'AM, ALSO, IN THE LETTER, THE INTENTION WAS
10:54:55    WE WILL PAY FOR THE LIGHT BUT COLLECT IT FROM THE
10:54:57    INDIVIDUAL.
10:54:58    >> CORRECT.
10:54:59    THANK YOU.
10:55:01    >>Howard Levitan: BILL, CAN I COMMENT ON THAT?
10:55:06    >>Mayor Ribble: YES, HOWARD, YOU'RE ON.
10:55:08    >>Howard Levitan: TWO POINTS, FIRST, IF WE'RE HAVING TROUBLE
10:55:11    COLLECTING THE MONEY, WE SHOULD IMMEDIATELY START A CODE
10:55:14    ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDING AGAINST WHOEVER IS TO PAY AND NOT
10:55:20    DOING SO.
10:55:21    AT THE SAME TIME AS WE'RE HAVING THE DISCUSSIONS, YOU KNOW,
10:55:24    IF THEY SAY NO, THEN WE HAVE TO PROCEED DIRECTLY, SAME
10:55:30    THINGS WE'RE DOING ON THE PELICAN LANDING ONE.
10:55:33    THE SECOND POINT I WOULD MAKE IS THAT WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED
10:55:37    AS A COUNCIL PAYING FOR THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AND THEN TRYING TO
10:55:42    COLLECT.
10:55:43    I DON'T KNOW HOW WE CAN MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO ANYBODY
10:55:46    ABOUT THAT UNTIL WE TALK ABOUT IT.
10:55:49    >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, SO YOU'RE SAYING WE'RE NOT IN THE
10:55:52    TRAFFIC LIGHT LOAN BUSINESS.
10:55:54    AND I AGREE WITH YOU.
10:55:55    >>Howard Levitan: NO, WE'RE NOT.
10:55:57    >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:55:57    I AGREE.
10:55:58    BURT, DID YOU WANT TO COMMENT?
10:56:00    >>Burt Saunders: ONLY THAT WE CAN INVESTIGATE AS TO WHETHER
OR NOT THAT IS A CODE VIOLATION.
I'M NOT SURE THAT IT IS, BUT WE CAN CERTAINLY TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.
THE SAME THING WITH THE OTHER TRAFFIC LIGHT.
>>Howard Levitan: I DID -- IN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, A VIOLATION OF A PROVISION OF A ZONING ORDINANCE IS A CODE VIOLATION.
>>Burt Saunders: WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT BOTH OF THOSE IN TERMS OF THE CODE.
>>Mayor Ribble: DEREK, YOU HAVE YOUR HOMEWORK.
ALL RIGHT.
BEHAVE.
WHO IS NEXT?
>>Kathy Hall: WE STARTED AN ONLINE COMMENT CARD YESTERDAY.
WILLIAM SAVAGE ON MAUI CIRCLE IN ESTERO WROTE IN:
"OVER A YEAR AGO, THE VILLAGE COUNCIL APPROVED THE INSTALLATION OF A LIGHT AT CORKSCREW ROAD AND THE LOWES DRIVEWAY.
SINCE THEN, THE DESIGN HAS BEEN DONE AND NOW NOTHING.
ALLEGEDLY, THE HOLDUP NOW IS HAVING TO WAIT FOR THE STOCK CORPORATION TO BUILD THEIR REVERSE FRONT ROAD PRIOR TO THE LIGHT BEING INSTALLED.
THIS NEW WRINKLE WAS NEVER MENTIONED WHEN THE LIGHT WAS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL.
PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING AND GET THIS LIGHT BUILT RIGHT NOW.
OUR COMMUNITY SHOULD NOT BE FORCED TO WAIT.
THANK YOU."
>>Mayor Ribble: I AGREE.
ANY OTHER COMMENTS TO THESE COMMENTS?
>>Jon McLain: MR. MAYOR, MAY I MAKE A COMMENT ON THAT?
>>Mayor Ribble: YES.
>>Jon McLain: WITHOUT THE FRONTAGE ROAD, I SYMPATHIZE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT.
IF WE PUT A LIGHT UP TOMORROW, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE ACCESS TO UTILIZE THAT LIGHT UNTIL THE FRONTAGE ROAD IS IN.
AM I MISTAKEN ON THAT, DAVID?
>>Mayor Ribble: HE'S COMING TO THE PODIUM.
>>David Willems: CORRECT.
THEY WOULDN'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE LIGHT, BUT THERE IS THE POTENTIAL THAT THAT LIGHT GIVES THEM A LITTLE BIT MORE OF A GAP TO GET OUT.
JUST AT A LIGHT WHEN IT TURNS RED, YOU'LL GET A BIGGER GAP THAN YOU WOULD HAVE NORMALLY.
IT COULD MARGINALLY HELP THEM.
LET ME REITERATE THAT WE'RE NOT -- THERE'S NO WAITING ON STOCK TO BUILD THE FRONTAGE ROAD TO BUILD THE TRAFFIC
10:58:08 SIGNAL.
10:58:08 THAT'S NOT WHAT IS HAPPENING.
10:58:10 WE'RE WORKING WITH THE TWO PROPERTY OWNERS TO GET THEM TO
10:58:13 PARTICIPATE IN THE COST OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL SO THAT THE
10:58:16 COUNTY CAN BID IT OUT AND BUILD THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL.
10:58:19 WE'RE NOT WAITING ON STOCK'S FRONTAGE ROAD.
10:58:26 >>Nick Batos: IF WE GET THIS APPROVAL, HOW LONG IS IT GOING
10:58:29 TO TAKE TO GET THE LIGHT BUILT?
10:58:30 >>Mayor Ribble: NINE MONTHS, RIGHT?
10:58:32 >>David Willems: I'VE HEARD IT TAKES SIX TO NINE MONTHS TO
10:58:36 GET THE ARMS.
10:58:36 JUST TO ORDER THEM.
10:58:38 IT'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE WHILE.
10:58:42 >>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.
10:58:43 HOW SOON CAN YOU GET THE OTHER TWO FOLKS TO STEP UP TO THE
10:58:47 PLATE HERE?
10:58:48 >>David Willems: WE'RE WORKING ON THE AGREEMENT.
10:58:49 THE ATTORNEYS ARE WORKING ON IT TO FINALIZE THE WORDING WITH
10:58:52 THE COUNTY.
10:58:53 >>Mayor Ribble: PRETTY SHARP.
10:58:54 I'M SURE THEY CAN GET AN AGREEMENT IN ONE DAY.
10:58:56 SO WE NEED TO GET THIS MOVING.
10:58:58 >>David Willems: OKAY.
10:58:59 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT THIS PELICAN
10:59:02 LANDING LIGHT NOW.
10:59:03 WE'VE BEEN DOWN THIS DANCE A HUNDRED TIMES.
10:59:06 I EXPECT NOW THAT WE'VE GOT THE VOTE THAT I'M GOING TO SEE A
10:59:09 LETTER OF LITIGATION STARTING NEXT WEEK AT SOME POINT IN
10:59:13 TIME.
10:59:13 GOT TO FIGURE OUT -- NOW WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WHO WE'RE
10:59:16 GOING TO HIRE, STEVE, RIGHT?
10:59:18 >>Steven Sarkozy: CORRECT.
10:59:18 >>Mayor Ribble: LET'S GET THE YELLOW PAGES OUT TODAY, AND
10:59:21 LET'S PICK AN ATTORNEY.
10:59:22 I DON'T WANT TO HEAR, OH, GEEZ, I'M NOT SURE.
10:59:26 I'VE GOT THE YELLOW PAGES ON MY LAPTOP AT HOME.
10:59:29 OKAY.
10:59:30 ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
10:59:31 THANK FOR BRINGING UP THIS TRAFFIC LIGHT.
10:59:33 IT KEEPS ME ENERGIZED.
10:59:35 I GET PASSIONATE ABOUT LIGHTS.
10:59:37 IT'S LIKE THE LANDSCAPING ON 41 THAT NOBODY BROUGHT UP
10:59:42 TODAY.
10:59:42 I HAD TO SIGN CHECKS OFF THIS MORNING, I THOUGHT, WHAT WOULD
10:59:46 HOWARD DO IF HE WAS HERE SIGNING?
10:59:49 THANK GOD THERE WEREN'T ANY LANDSCAPING BILLS ON THERE, JIM.
10:59:53 I DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT LANDSCAPING TODAY.
10:59:55 YOU'RE OKAY, HOWARD.
WE'RE NOT SIGNING ANYMORE LANDSCAPING CHECKS.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: I CAN SAY ONE THING -- MAY I SAY

SOMETHING?

>> YEAH, OF COURSE.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: I DROVE BY.

I WAS TOLD YESTERDAY THERE MUST HAVE BEEN 20 TO 25 CREW MEMBERS OUT THERE ON U.S. 41.

THEY BROUGHT OUT EVERYBODY THEY HAD, I GUESS, WORKING.

AS I DROVE UP OR DOWN 41 TODAY, THE MULCH IS DOWN.

THEY LEFT THE FLAX LILIES IN.

THEY ARE BUDDING AND SEEDING.

I WAS OVER IN THE FAR-RIGHT LANE, SO I COULDN'T GET A REALLY GOOD GLIMPSE OF WHAT'S GOING ON.

YOU GOT THEIR ATTENTION, AND I HOPE THEY REPLACED SOME OF THOSE PLANTS.

I DID NOT HAVE MY OPPORTUNITY TO INSPECT.

>> Mayor Ribble: STEVE, YOU GOT A NICE COMPLIMENT FROM THE VICE-MAYOR HERE.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: BUT SOMEBODY RATTLED, SHOOK THEIR CAGE.

THIS HAS BEEN SOMETHING OF A PROBLEM PROJECT BECAUSE OF JUST SOME OF THE LAX WORK BY ONE OF THE SUBCONTRACTORS.

DAVID WILLEMS SHOOK THEIR CAGE, AND THEY ARE UNDER A SHORT TIMELINE TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT, AND THAT'S WHY YOU'VE SEEN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT ARE OUT THERE.

SO IT'S GOING TO BE A PROCESS.

IT WILL BE DONE WITHIN PROBABLY ABOUT A WEEK.

HOWEVER, THEY ARE UNDER A TWO-YEAR, AS YOU'VE HEARD BEFORE, THERE IS A TWO-YEAR WARRANTY ON THAT, AND THEY ARE GOING TO BE COMING BACK AS REQUIRED.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: WE HAVE A GOOD INSPECTOR THEN TO CHECK --

>>Steven Sarkozy: I BELIEVE SO, YES.

>>Vice-Mayor Errington: THIS IS PROBABLY IMPROPER, BUT I WILL ASK IT ANYWAY.

ACROSS FROM WALMART AND NEXT TO SPROUTS, WE HAD AT ONE TIME BEEN TOLD THAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE PLANTINGS IN THERE.

WE HAD SOME MONEY AVAILABLE.

I THOUGHT ABOUT IT, AND THEN I FORGET ABOUT IT.

>> Mayor Ribble: I'M SORRY I BROUGHT THIS UP, STEVE.

I HUMBLY APOLOGIZE.

>>David Willems: THAT IS A SEPARATE PROCESS.

SO THE F.D.O.T. HAS GIVEN US A GRANT TO DO TWO LOCATIONS ON U.S. 41.

ONE IS AT WALMART.

WE'RE WORKING WITH D.O.T. ON THAT.

THEY HAVE A PROCESS TO WORK THROUGH.
11:02:33  ACTUALLY, I HAVE A CONFERENCE CALL WITH THEM ON THURSDAY TO
11:02:36  KIND OF TALK ABOUT THE PRELIMINARY ASPECTS OF THE DESIGN.
11:02:40  IN THAT PROJECT, THERE WILL BE TREES.
11:02:44  IT WILL BE A LITTLE BIT MORE SUBSTANTIAL LANDSCAPING.
11:02:47  THEY ARE KIND OF USING IT AS LIKE A LITTLE KIND OF PILOT
11:02:50  PROJECT ON 41.
11:02:52  SO THAT WILL BE HAPPENING LATER THIS YEAR.
11:02:58  >>Vice-Mayor Errington: IT'S ONLY MARCH.
11:02:59  >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:02:59  BEFORE WE COME UP WITH ANY MORE NEW TOPICS, CAN I HAVE A
11:03:02  MOTION TO ADJOURN?
11:03:04  >>Nick Batos: SO MOVED.
11:03:04  >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:03:05  >> WISH EVERYBODY A HEALTHY --
11:03:09  [ADJOUNDED]

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