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**MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
SIXTH TAXING DISTRICT, City of Norwalk
September 14, 2011**

**Rowayton Community Center
8:00 p.m.**

The September meeting of the Commission of the Sixth Taxing District was called to order by Commission Chair Tammy Langalis. Mrs. Langalis welcomed the attendees and introduced the Commission.

A motion was made by Mrs. Langalis and seconded by Commissioner John Igneri to postpone the approval of the July 13 minutes until all the Commissioners had had a chance to review the submitted draft minutes.

Under **Old Business**, the subject of a Lower Rowayton Avenue traffic and parking study was introduced. Commissioner Mike Barbis informed those in attendance that there had been an issue with parking on lower Rowayton Avenue, specifically for Brendan's 101 and the Bait Shop, brought by a neighbor. There had been a hearing scheduled at P&Z recently, which was postponed. The Commissioners have been approached to study the problem and see if some resolution can be made. Toward that end, the Commissioners have approached several engineering firms with the possibility of initiating a traffic and parking study of Lower Rowayton Avenue to identify the problems and to possibly suggest some solutions. The Commissioners are still waiting to hear back from these engineering firms. Although the immediate need has been resolved, the issue will not go away and may affect other businesses in the future. After a study is done, the Commission will investigate the options open to us.

A report on the aftermath of Hurricane Irene was given under **New Business**. Commissioner John Igneri said that, in the middle of the clean up of Bayley Beach, the Commissioners were contacted by a local movie company with a request that they be allowed to shoot a scene at Bayley during sunset on the Friday after the Hurricane. An agreement was reached with them and the Commission hurried to comply with their clean up requirements. However, on Friday morning the filming

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was cancelled. The Commission billed the company half of the agreed upon amount for the filming so we will be receiving \$750. The work would have had to be done in any case and we can use some of the funds for the clean up, or other needs.

Jack Robson, District Administrator, reported that we had hired a crew for two 9 hour days for beach clean up. There were about 6 people moving sand. It was initially thought that there would be a requirement for a delivery of additional sand, but that wasn't needed after all. They were able to redistribute the sand to fill in at the volleyball court and between the picnic area and the parking lot. Everything is level now and looks good. Commissioner Ignneri said that the clean up would be paid for from emergency funds, a full accounting of which will be provided at the October Commissioners' Meeting. There was a Community Center tree down across McKinley which took out power lines. The storm also caused problems that will necessitate some additional tree work to be done. A tree at the RR station which fell partially in a neighbor's yard was taken care of by the District even though the RR station is owned by the state.

The next item on the agenda concerns Scott Whiteman's Sports Camps. The Commissioners have received a letter from Scott asking that he be given a 5-year rolling lease, with first right of refusal, for his Sports Camps, which would guarantee him a measure of stability for his business. Scott said that he would be in Rowayton more next year than he has been for the last couple of years. When he is not in attendance, Jason Diamandis oversees the day to day operation of the camp. The Commissioners need to discuss whether or not they would want to offer him such an extended lease. We don't have five year leases with anyone else. They will check with the city to see if there are any parallels with them. The Commissioners agreed to discuss this with District counsel. John Ignneri noted that he would possibly be in favor of a 2 year lease but not the five year one. Property Manager Ed Carlson noted that he would like to see Scott more carefully monitor his sign-up sign on the fence and take it down in a more timely fashion. When asked his opinion, Beach Director Don Wilson said that he didn't know how Scott can thoroughly run his business and be away so much of the time. However, he did say that Jason Diamandis does an excellent job with the camp and has a good relationship with Scott. Scott has been paying \$1750 for the year's lease, down from a previous \$3500. The fee was lowered when his enrollment dropped significantly. Scott is willing to pay a higher fee to the District for an extended lease. Tammy noted that Scott has been at the beach for 14 years now and has impacted many of the town's children with the Sports Camps, which they all seemed to love. John Ignneri said that perhaps we can look at a two year lease, with a possibility of a third, maybe with some slight change in terms. Dave McCarthy, 38 Nearwater, said that he had heard some discontent expressed by some residents noting that Scott is rarely there. People are also complaining about the general condition of things on that end of the beach. He noted that a tennis court fence fell over because the screens weren't taken down. He suggested getting feedback from the community at large about renewing a contract with Scott.

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Pete Koerner, 2 Barnfield, and President of the Rowayton Tennis Association, said that the RTA had done a lot of preparation for the storm. He also said that, ironically, the courts are playing better now after having had water standing on them. They did have to do quite a bit of clean up and, of course, the office had flooded significantly. However, the courts were playable the Wednesday after the storm. The RTA has contracted with someone to fix the fence as well as to do needed tree work. Mike Barbis congratulated the RTA for taking care of these issues as he thought that the District might be responsible for that. Pete also informed the Commission that the RTA had not renewed Scott's contract with them. He noted that he was a very good teaching pro, but that his lack of frequent attendance was a problem for them. He didn't satisfy the RTA needs as the head tennis pro.

Mrs. Langalis said that the Commission will revisit this issue in October as well.

REPORTS

Commissioner John Igeneri reiterated that the Commission had spent a lot of time on storm clean up.

Commissioner Mike Barbis reported that the Long Range Planning Committee for the Community Center is announcing that Phase I of the restoration and refurbishment of the Community Center is effectively done now. They have recorded with the city some documents that were required as a condition of receiving the awarded state grant. They are very pleased with the work that has been done. Work on the roofs of the outbuildings was able to be included under the scope of Phase I as the winning bid for the contract came in significantly lower than budgeted. Even with that, the project still came in under budget. Rob Frazier, 158 Highland Avenue, chair of the Rowayton Community Center Long Range Planning Committee, expressed his hope that the community will come out to support Phase II of the project. More detail will be provided on Phase II at the Special Meeting which is scheduled for September 20, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Commission Chair Tammy Langalis reported that the Commission had sent a letter to Mayor Moccia and Police Chief Rilling asking that they once again consider our request for a change of speed limit on Roton Avenue south of McKinley from 25 mph to 15 mph. The Commission has received a letter from city counsel saying, in effect, that they have kicked our request up to the state level. The state will conduct a study to see if it is feasible or advisable to reduce the speed limit on the stretch of road specified. Dave McCarthy, 38 Nearwater, asked if the Commission had asked for accident data on that strip of roadway. The answer given by Ms. Langalis was "No". There were several occasions when the speed trailer was set up on the curve of Roton and Pine Point. When that was there, the speed of cars did decrease. In the spring, as always, we sent letters to the clubs, beaches and associations asking that they remind their members, suppliers, and employees to please honor the speed limit and to use extra caution when traveling in

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this congested area. Mrs. Langalis said that the response to their letter was a little disappointing. She said that there is an issue of perceived safety of pedestrians. At one time, local police had undertaken to monitor the stop sign at Crockett and Roton. They were appalled at the flagrant non-compliance with the stop sign. Our former Community Policing Officer, Joe Jensen, 304 Rowayton Avenue, advised that we not give up in our efforts to have the speed limit changed. He also mentioned that the police department does have statistics about accidents there. However, the problem is really more about potential accidents. The rationale behind the denial of the Commission's first request to change the speed limit was that it was not enforceable. Dave McCarthy, 38 Nearwater, suggested that changing the speed limit won't necessarily help unless there is a police presence to enforce it. Dave said that if we got some suggestions from a traffic engineer, there might be some things we could do that would help alleviate the perceived dangerous conditions. Rob Frazier said that we might request bike lanes and markings on the road that might help. Commissioner Mike Barbis said that we had put Roton Avenue in a queue for bike lanes, sidewalks, and/or pedestrian lanes, etc. Mike thinks that it will come up next year. Tammy said that the city is becoming more aware of the pedestrian/bike traffic that is going on. Rob said that it is always about money. If we could take that issue away, maybe the response would be different. John Igneri said that bike lanes would be a great idea. Tammy said that if any of us have a chance to do a city traffic survey, please fill it out and highlight our hot spots. Bunny Scott, 18 Drum Road, said that bikers do slow down traffic and that's a good thing.

Mrs. Langalis reported that she had attended a meeting in August of the Dog Park people. The meeting was called partly to address a couple of concerns regarding aggressive dogs. The group is thinking about doing some fund raising to enable the installation of a couple of bulletin boards. Separately, several residents have complained about the proliferation of portable lawn chairs on the dog field. Tammy indicated that her concern is that it is a problem for district personnel when they are mowing. She suggested that maybe some more permanent benches might be installed. There will be some stones moved there from the RR fairly soon. Ed Carlson admitted that he would like to see the chairs removed.

Tammy said that there are still some concerns being expressed regarding the parking for the Farmer's Market, especially along Rowayton Avenue as it goes down toward the United Church. The Farmer's Market people will continue to try to limit the parking to those who need the close proximity because of infirmity. We hope to be able to keep a happy medium.

Treasurer's Report

John Verel

District Treasurer John Verel reported that we are in the "Good News" time of the year, the time of year when we receive our share of the tax revenues. Regarding the budget, we are on target or ahead of target in almost all instances. Our beach revenues indicate

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a lower number. That is because the beach permit fees are mostly recorded at the end of the Fiscal Year. This year's beach permit fees went into last FY ending on June 30. The audits are beginning now. We will be putting the audits contract out for bid next month. If anyone has a suggestion for an audit firm, we will be glad to receive those names and invite those firms to submit a bid.

The rescheduling of one of the RCA Concerts has been set for Pinkney Park on October 2. Ed Carlson said he is concerned about the lack of a police officer at the last concert at Bayley Beach on Labor Day. Ginny Grant, 3 Pond Ridge, the RCA representative at the meeting, agreed to let the RCA know about parking concerns that the Commission has. Ed Carlson, Property Manager and Fire Marshal, said that the parking possibilities should be all set the day before the concert goes ahead including blocking of certain streets as no parking zones. Moving the concert back to Bayley Beach might be a good thing. The problem with the Pinkney venue is that out of towners may not understand where to park and there could be too many people to accommodate. Bunny Scott, 18 Drum Road, said that the RCA publicity could include information on parking. Ed Carlson said that either venue created a problem if streets were not posted and people parked all over. Mike Barbis said that we've all learned some good lessons about concerts at Bayley Beach and it's very well organized now. Ginny Grant, 3 Pond Ridge, reported that the RCA is considering having fewer concerts next year. Tammy made a motion which was seconded by John Ignieri that Mike Barbis will speak with the RCA to see what their thinking is about having this concert in Pinkney Park.

REPORT OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

Ed Carlson

<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u># of occurrences</u>	<u># Man Hours</u>
Blasting Permit(s)	***	***
Blasting Site Inspection(s)	***	***
Building Inspection(s)	2	4
Clerical (office) work		23
Fire Marshal Conferences	***	***
Career Development Training	***	***
Investigation(s)	1	1
(Other) Event Permit signing	1	2
(Other) Oil Tank removal inspection	1	1
(Other)		
Total Man Hrs.:		31

Remarks to the Commissioners: The Rowayton VFD had responded to 25 storm related incidents: one structure fire, a couple of propane tank upsets, trees on homes and downed wires. There were no water rescues. We responded to lower Rowayton Avenue with old Engine 5 and the aluminum boat. The Rowayton Volunteer Fire Department as a unit put in 256 hours for the month of August. (Tammy mentioned that Ed was seen cutting up trees, above and beyond his responsibilities. Thank You)

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REPORT OF THE PROPERTY MANAGER AUG.-SEPT 2011 Ed Carlson Community Center:

1. Privet hedge trimmed and cut back from fence.
2. Tile floors stripped and waxed. I recommend having one more coat added and burnished to seal the wax.
3. A storm-readiness plan should be written up for all properties.
4. A used Gator was purchased for \$1300. Minor adjustments are needed (tuneup & service engine)

Bayley Beach:

1. The Carry All vehicle is being repaired due to water damage from Irene.
2. Tailgate latches on vehicle were replaced.

Pinkney Park:

1. The seeding of the lawn did not germinate well. Weather became so hot and birds ate a lot of the seed.
2. The cleanup from the storm was minimal. No major tree damage.

Ed said that moving the furniture upstairs was a bit of a logistical problem for the men working on the floors. Ed recommends having them come back in a few months to add one more coat with a burnishing buffer to seal the wax. He will get an estimate on it. They, of course, would recommend a regular maintenance. This floor in the Moose Room gets a lot more traffic than the others. He will work with Woody Woodworth and other members of the Historical Society on disaster plans for Pinkney House. Ed said that he had learned some things in this storm that could have saved some more money if we had prepared earlier.

Floats were removed from the water at Bayley Beach before the storm. They are back now, but will have to come out for the winter. We're facing a double charge for taking them out a second time. John Igneri said it may be time to look at alternative vendors.

Commissioner Mike Barbis said that we owe a lot of credit to Joe Gallo. When the grease trap was put in at the Concession, the installer did not tell us we would have to remove it in case of high water. In spite of being left in the water, Joe got both the grease trap and the freezer to work again. We didn't lose any of the tables or Adirondack chairs because of the storm, so we were really lucky. We haven't heard from the Little League although calls are in to them. We don't know if they had any damage. There was major dock damage on Five Mile River and in Wilson Cove. The Fire Department did bring out some of its water rescue gear, highlighting the need to upgrade and replace some of it. The Commissioners will be putting that in next year's budget.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT CLERK

Andrea Woodworth

1. I have had a request from the PTO of Rowayton School for permission to use Pinkney Park on October 1 and October 2 for individual family portrait photo shoots which will be a fundraiser for the PTO. A Certificate of Liability Insurance will be requested.

APPROVED with the condition that they not park in Pinkney Park and that they finish by 3:40 or earlier on Sunday to facilitate the beginning of the RCA rescheduled concert if it remains at Pinkney Park.

2. I have also had a request from the Five Mile River Nursery School for permission to use Pinkney Park for a Family Field Day on November 5. They envision having sack races, etc. in conjunction with the Rowayton United Methodist Church's Harvest Fair from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A Certificate of Liability Insurance will be provided.

APPROVED

3. A letter was sent to Michael Greene, Director, Planning and Zoning Dept. of Norwalk in reference to a proposed traffic study to be conducted of parking on lower Rowayton Avenue.

4. A letter was sent to Jeffrey Butler, President and COO of CL&P, thanking him for his assistance in identifying the companies responsible for the dangling wires noted along Highland Avenue.

5. Another letter was sent to Mayor Richard Moccia and to Chief of Police Harry Rilling once again asking to have the official speed limit on Roton Avenue south of McKinley changed from 25 mph to 15 mph in consideration of the heavy traffic and pedestrian use of that street, especially during the summer months.

6. A thank you letter was sent to Richard Packer to acknowledge receipt of his donation to the District of \$150 after his Packer Soccer Camp. \$90 was the amount agreed on with the District reflecting a certain amount per Grasshopper camper at the Community Center. Mr. Packer donated an additional \$60 to the District.

7. A letter was sent to Joe Gallo confirming the installation of the new grease trap in the Bayley Beach Concession stand as well as his agreement to take the responsibility for the required scheduling of and payment for its mandatory cleaning.

REPORT OF THE BEACH DIRECTOR

September 14, 2011 Don Wilson

The summer of 2011 was a crazy mixture of weather patterns: May and June were cool and rainy; July was hazy, hot and humid, and most of August was just plain beautiful, with no jellyfish problems. The swimming was closed by the Department of Health for two days because of high bacteria count. No lives had to be saved and we had no serious injuries.

We had five gate guards who worked three shifts per day, from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. The hours this summer were from 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. The guards received \$12.00 per hour. A total of over \$10,100 was collected by the gate guards as of early September.

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We had numerous parties, outings, wedding and social gatherings throughout the summer. A function sheet was available for the listing of names of both residents and guests for gatherings of 20 or more people. The pavilion was reserved on numerous occasions. A first come, first served basis plan was continued for those times when the pavilion was not reserved.

I handled the maintenance duties by myself this summer. My responsibilities included collecting and disposing of the garbage, grooming the beach, blowing the walkways and playground area, tending to the flower beds, cutting the grass and trimming the hedges, cleaning the bathrooms and maintaining them - basically caring for the cleanliness of the entire park including the ballpark, playground and beach area. The area near the entrance of the parking lot was again cleared and wood chips placed over the area.

The beach was raked twice during the summer: mid-May and mid-August at \$2,000 each time. For the most part, the water was clean and wood chips placed over the area.

The pavilion and all picnic tables were painted and all of the Adirondack chairs and benches were repaired again this year.

Beach Stickers:

As always, most of the residents had their beach stickers and passes well before the May 31st deadline. A cost of \$10.00 per family was continued with a late fee of \$25.00 for all residents who did not meet the deadline.

Snack Bar:

The Concession was operated successfully again for the 13th consecutive year by Joe Gallo. It was opened from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day. The hours of operation were 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Bayley Beach Staff - 2011

Lifeguards:		Years worked at beach:
Eliza Lepetich	College Student	7 th year
Terry Lepetich	College Student	6 th year
Kate Avery	College Student	4 th year
Colette Blish	College Student	4 th year
Michelle Avery	College Student	3 rd year
Mady Everett	College Student	2 nd year
Ryan Moffit	College Student	2 nd year
Gate Guards:		
Sue Bucciarelli	Teacher	15 th year
Melissa Bucciarelli	Adult	7 th year

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Lauren Jorgensen	College Student	5 th year
Kelly McFarlin	College Student	1 st year
Doug Ruhnke	College Student	2 nd year

Maintenance:

Don Wilson	Beach Director	18 th year
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In conclusion:

Seven lifeguards and I were on duty this summer. I worked from May 15 - September 22, 2011 and put in over 1,000 hours over 130 days at a salary of \$12,000. I took off 8 days for vacation. Colette worked 446 hours, Michele 219 hours, Eliza 439 hours, Terry 383 hours, Mady 432 hours, Kate 398 hours and Ryan 20 hours.

I would be happy to be Beach Director again next year at whatever salary the Commissioners think is suitable.

Recommendations and work or purchases compelte:

1. Joe Gallo should be given first choice for manning the concession stand for his 14th consecutive year.
2. A monthly plan of sifting and raking the beach, beginning May 15th and continuing in July (2 times total) should be continued for next summer.
3. The gate guards worked a total of 988 hours as of September 15th. A schedule of 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. is suggested at an increase to \$13.00 per hour per guard for next year.
4. The daily fees charged this year for non-residents were fine. However, a season pass bought by May 1st should be offered for \$300.00.
5. More shrubs and trees were planted by the Rowayton Gardeners near the flagpole area. The Rowayton Gardeners should be commended for planting and weeding the lower beds and shrubs. They were then watered daily by us.
6. A kayak rack was placed at the WeeBurn end of the beach for the convenience of the residents of the Sixth Taxing District.
7. A memorial plaque of some sort should be placed at the beach with the names of any deceased residents who frequented the beach often, or had some ties to the beach.
8. An electric water cooler should be re-installed - either in the pavilion area or by the entrance to the guard room, or by the new showers.
9. Because of increased popularity of band concerts which are held at the beach, the need for volunteers to help park cars and cleanup and the presence of a police officer are suggested again for next year.
10. New plastic boardwalk sections were purchased this year.
11. A bocce court similar to Calf Pasture Beach put in by the Norwalk Recreation and Parks would be a great addition.

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12. The district should not charge \$100 for rental of the Pavilion for in-district residents; however, they should charge \$100 for out-of-district residents.
13. Rules for swimmers in the Art Ladrigan Lighthouse Race on Labor Day should be written out, published ahead of time and distributed to all participants.
14. Finally, Hurricane Irene slammed into Bayley Beach on August 27th and 28th causing significant damage and financial hardship to the 6th Taxing District

I would like to thank Mike Barbis, Ed Carlson, Edwina Casey, Andrea Woodworth, and John Verel for their valuable contributions this summer to make this a wonderful place to enjoy.

Don thanked Mike Barbis, specifically, for asking him to prioritize his suggestions and for implementing many of them. Tammy noted that Sue does a great job on the gate, as well. Tammy asked when the water would be turned off at the beach. Ed Carlson said it would be sometime mid-October. No solid date has been decided on. Tammy asked Don if he had enough RCA volunteers on concert dates. He said that the volunteers did help out. He could use a little more help with the clean up afterwards. And, Don's opinion was that the police didn't do much of anything. Tammy thanked Don for all his hard work.

COMMUNITY POLICING OFFICER

MIKE SILVA

Officer Silva was not in attendance. Mike noted that he has been very responsive when called. Joe Jensen, who monitors the beach and other properties, said that this summer had been pretty routine. There were some busy nights at Bayley Beach with after-hours activity. It has been fairly harmless. He was busier this year with people coming over from WeeBurn. He didn't see any security at WeeBurn. Their employees congregated at their pool after hours.

A valuable piece of construction equipment was stolen at the Rowayton RR station. Joe said he had seen one suspicious car. There was a larceny. He got the plate # of the car in question and spoke to a detective at Metro North. Construction on the bridge uses a lot of equipment and they don't even know when it was stolen.

John Igneri said that he had noticed that kids are going into Farm Creek after hours more often now and asked Joe to keep an eye out. Joe said that the motion sensors work very well at Farm Creek and they would probably get surprised by that.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

Jack Robson

Bayley Beach

Clean up of the beach grounds and redistributing of the sand moved by Hurricane Irene was completed September 2, 2011. Cost for the two 9 hour days' effort: **\$7,150.00**

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The swim floats needed to be removed from the beach as a protection from Hurricane Irene. Cost from B&G Marine: **\$700.00**

Trees were damaged by Hurricane Irene. Removal and clean up by John Giglio will be **\$1,200.00**.

The boardwalk was damaged by Hurricane Irene. Repair damaged boardwalk. **\$2,000.00**
Replace boardwalk parts that were washed away by storm. **\$800.00**

Tennis fencing by the entrance driveway was damaged by Hurricane Irene. These costs will be absorbed by the Tennis Association. Estimated cost \$3,295. Basketball court fence damage by storm. Repair cost **\$450.00**.

Community Center

A sugar maple tree on the north end of the property close to Highland Avenue lost a large limb which fell on a neighbor's rear deck. This tree needs to be taken down as a result of damage caused by Hurricane Irene. Cost: **\$1,600.00**

The sugar maple tree on Highland Avenue near the dog park has a dead limb and a large broken branch which needs to be removed for safety sake. Remove dead limb & hanging limb from sugar maple east of CC entrance on Highland Avenue. Cost **\$400.00**

The new office space for the 6th TD needs filing cabinets. I am recommending that 3 five drawer lateral files be purchased to give filing space for the Clerk, the Administrator and the Commissioners. Cost for three 42" five-drawer lateral files. **\$1,397.00** (includes delivery)

Two new proposed lights for the Community Center driveway have been approved. Mars Electric needs to apply in person at City Hall for a permit to install them. Cost of installation: **\$5,000.00**

Rowayton Arts Center

The basement was flooded by Hurricane Irene. Mold and mildew resulted. Clean up of the basement will be paid for by the RAC. Cost **\$2,800.00** An automatic dehumidifier was recommended. The 6th TD will cover this cost. M&L Cleaning will supply an automatic dehumidifier. Cost **\$1,325.00 (?)**

Celco Air Conditioning & Heating. Cost for unit and installation: **\$4,000.00**

Ambler Parking Lot and Wetlands.

Hurricane Irene did some extensive damage on a number of large trees that border the wetlands property on Vincent Place. One very large tree split in two, causing damage to the neighbor. Another came down and damaged the Fire House fence. The very large tree with the split trunk needs to be released from being hung up on another large tree in

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the wetlands. This partially fallen tree presents a danger to adventuresome kids that might want to climb up along the trunk, which is now about 30 ft. above ground.

Two other smaller trees next to this fallen tree need to be removed as they present a problem for the neighbor as well.

Another large split trunk tree seems healthy, but its location is a danger to another neighboring home on Vincent Place. Cost to remove **\$2,400.**

Trees damaged by Hurricane Irene on Ambler property.

1. Hickory hung up at 45 degrees in other tree. Needs to come down and lay flat. Leave on district property.
2. Take down 2 damaged hickorys south side of woods and leave log.
3. Cost for both **\$800.00.** Chip disposal cost: **\$50.00**

140 Rowayton Avenue Tree Problem

Larry Brown Tree Specialists recommended taking down a very large split trunk Silver Maple tree behind the condos at 154 & 152 Rowayton Avenue. He would lower sections of the limbs and leave in the woods. Cost: **\$2,400.** Chip disposal: **\$150.00.** The cost for this will be shared by 140 Rowayton Avenue: **\$1,275 each.**

RR Parking Lot

Four new handicapped signs have been installed. Cost: **\$80.00**

Pinkney Park

Minimum tree damage occurred from Hurricane Irene. General clean up was needed. Gutters and downspouts in the rear of Pinkney House need attention. Hurricane Irene brought the high water up to 18 ft. in from the seawall and left its mark on the grass. The center hump where Shakespeare assembles its stage was surrounded by water after the storm. Depth approximately 3 to 4 ft. I suggest that the hump be graded out and fill be brought in to lessen the low area allowing for better drainage and usage of this section of the park.

Stones from RR bridge for district properties

Approximately 16 to 20 stones from the redo on the RR Bridge have been made available for our use. To pick them up and relocate to Farm Creek, Bayley Beach and The Dog Park would take about a day and a half. Cost **\$2,250.00 (OK to proceed - Administrator's notation)**

John Verel said that the noisy part of the RR bridge rebuilding project is over. However, they are going to build another retaining wall and a pedestrian walkway which will cause pedestrians to cross over the road to the other side and he predicts that it will be more hazardous for pedestrians. And, it's still leaking. Jack will

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be in touch with the appropriate authorities to remind them of the possible problems for this winter.

Tammy said that they reported to the state that no power was lost at the RR station during the storm.

Pete Koerner asked where he might find a posted agenda. Andrea will look into it. It's meant to be posted on the library web site.

John Igneri made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mike Barbis. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Woodworth
Clerk, 6th Taxing District