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TOWN OF CICERO

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The Cicero Town Board held their regular meeting on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., at the South Bay Fire Department, 8819 Cicero Center Road, Cicero, NY 13039.

Present: Judy A. Boyke, Supervisor
Jessica Zambrano, Councilor
C. Vernon Conway, Councilor
Lynn Jennings, Councilor
James Corl, Jr. Councilor
Tracy Cosilmon, Town Clerk

Others Present: Christopher Woznica, Highway Superintendent
Sharon Edick, Receiver of Taxes
Joseph Snell, Police Chief
Jody Rogers, Director of Parks & Recreation
Wayne Dean, Director of Planning & Development
Shirlie Stuart, Comptroller
Brad Brennan, Assessor
Pamela Williamson, Secretary to Supervisor
Anthony Rivizzigno, Town Attorney
Ronald DeTota, II PE, C & S Engineers
Catie O'Toole, Post Standard
Maranda Pennock, Star Review

Absent:

The meeting was opened at 7:04 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.
A moment of silence was observed in remembrance of our men and women serving in the Armed Forces in harms way.

Ms. Boyke indicated where the fire exits were and read the following statement:

The Cicero Town Board acknowledges the importance of full public participation in all public hearings and, therefore, urges all who wish to address those in attendance to utilize the microphones located in the front of the room. At this time please turn of your cell phones and be sure to speak into the microphones to enable all to hear.

S.E.Q.R.
(State Environmental Quality Review Act)

Motion was made by Ms. Boyke, seconded by Ms. Zambrano, that all actions taken tonight are Type Two (2) actions under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act unless otherwise determined.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway: Yes
Mr. Corl: Yes
Mr. Jennings: Yes
Ms. Zambrano Yes
Ms. Boyke: Yes

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 24, 2010 MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Conway, to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2010 town board meeting.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway: Yes
Mr. Corl: Yes
Mr. Jennings: Yes
Ms. Zambrano: Yes
Ms. Boyke: Yes

DEPARTMENT HEAD INPUT

Town Clerk – None

Highway - None

Police - None

Comptroller – None

Park & Recreation - None

Tax – None

Engineer - None

Zoning - None

Attorney - None

Assessor - None

Ms. Boyke announced that the Organizational Meeting has been changed from Wednesday January 5, 2011 to Friday, January 7, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. at the Cicero Town Hall.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT #23 OF 2010

Motion was made by Ms. Zambrano, seconded by Mr. Jennings, to approve Abstract #23 of 2010 as follows:

General Fund Voucher #2321 TO Voucher #2099 In the amount of \$483,624.08
Highway Fund Voucher #654H TO Voucher #685H In the amount of \$ 84,094.00

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway: Yes
Mr. Corl: Yes
Mr. Jennings: Yes
Ms. Zambrano: Yes
Ms. Boyke: Yes

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

Motion was made by Ms. Boyke, seconded by Mr. Corl, to approve the following budget modifications as follows:

**Budget Modifications- 2010
Town Board Meeting 12/08/2010**

AMOUNT	FROM CODE	TO CODE
\$ 1,000.00	B3122011OT	OFFICE SALARIED OT
\$ 6,255.00	B31201S	SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL
\$ 2,000.00	B312047	TRAINING
		B31201 POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES
		B312046T UTILITIES POLICE TRAILER

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway: Yes
 Mr. Corl: Yes
 Mr. Jennings: Yes
 Ms. Zambrano: Yes
 Ms. Boyke: Yes

ANTI NEPOTISM POLICY

Chris Woznica asked if the anti nepotism policy will effect Department Heads or all employees.

Ms. Boyke stated it would pertain to all employees and it would be adopted going forward from 2011.

Chris Woznica – We received about 30 applications in the last month for wingman and out of those 30, I have 3, so I’m back to using family members from both my family and my men’s families. We couldn’t use them and they don’t answer their phones.

Ms. Boyke told Chris that he had a list of people who will be grandfathered and will continue to be grandfathered in 2011.

Mr. Corl stated that portion D of the policy has exemptions for part time, temporary and seasonal employee’s, which was added since the last board meeting.

Chris stated that he didn’t see that.

Mr. Corl explained that there is a provision relative to grandfathering any current employee’s and there is also language in there that pertains to wing people and other seasonal employees.

Motion was made by Ms. Zambrano, seconded by Mr. Corl, to adopt the following Anti Nepotism Policy for the Town of Cicero as effective immediately.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway: Yes
 Mr. Corl: Yes
 Mr. Jennings: Yes
 Ms. Zambrano: Yes
 Ms. Boyke: Yes

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE C & S ENGINEERS, INC.
TO PREPARE THE 2010 TOWN OF CICERO LANDFILL MONITORING REPORT

Ron DeTota stated that the landfill monitoring report is required by the NYS DEC as part of the post closure requirements set forth regarding the town's landfill. The fee is stated as \$11,161.00 and represents the laboratory fees and their fees to prepare the report. The laboratory fees total \$6,291.00 and our fee is \$4,870.00. Part of the scope of services that we would provide will be the coordination of scheduling of the testing required for the monitoring process, the compilation and tabulation of all of the analytical data, inspection of the ground water monitoring well network on the landfill itself and the preparation and submittal of the annual monitoring report, to the town and the DEC.

Mr. Corl stated that he received the report yesterday and that the landfill was closed in 1984 and that it has to be monitored for a 30 year period. We are coming into the last few years where that needs to be monitored and it has always been monitored by the previous engineering firm which was O'Brien & Gere. My concern is liability, meaning that O'Brien & Gere has always done these inspections every single year since 1984 even, when other engineers were brought in. The Town Boards always made the decision to keep them for this specific project, because of DEC regulations and the fact that they are familiar with the closure and other implications. I also think O'Brien & Gere were comparable or even less and it may be a good idea for us to consider O'Brien & Gere for this specific project.

Ms. Zambrano – I think we paid O'Brien & Gere more than that.

Ms. Boyke - O'Brien & Gere was paid over \$14,000.00.

Ms. Zambrano stated that it isn't in any way, shape or form, less.

Mr. Corl – In 2008 the total cost that came out of the Landfill line was \$7,600.00 and \$3,300.00 went to O'Brien & Gere. In 2009 we had a cost incurred in the beginning of the year and they did the sampling at the end of the year.

Ron DeTota – It appears from what I've researched, that typically, the testing was done in December of the previous year with a report to be generated in February of the following year. The records that we have are minimal, but, what we could tell from our research, it appears that no sampling was done at the end of 2009, nor a report prepared in early 2010.

Mr. Corl – You may want to check with O'Brien & Gere as we paid them for sampling and lab analyst in the amount of \$6,500.00 in December of 2009. Those records should be made available if the board goes forward with having C & S do the work.

Ron DeTota stated that they did request those records that he copied the board with his request. Two requests were actually made, and we were provided with stuff that we were told was current and up to date, so I can only give you, what was given to me. We put in a specific request for any report that was done in 2009. The material that was submitted to our office was testing that was done in 2008. There are no records of any testing being done in 2009.

Ms. Zambrano – If O'Brien & Gere was paid, it sounds, like we should get a refund.

Mr. Corl stated that the sampling was done in 2009 by O'Brien & Gere, but in the spring of 2010, the report was never filed.

Ron DeTota stated that information was not provided to them. The latest sampling was dated December 2008. There was no sampling submitted to their office as requested from 2009.

Mr. Corl asked if anyone requested O'Brien & Gere to do this report this spring.

Ms. Boyke – Why would it be a request, when they were paid to do it?

Mr. Corl – They were terminated January 1st of this year.

Ms. Boyke explained that they were obligated to that report in 2009.

Mr. Corl – My main issue is the liability.

Ron DeTota stated along with their submission, they provided insurance coverage for Worker’s Comp, General Liability, Automobile Liability and Professional Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 per claim with an aggregate of \$2,000,000. They have done many landfill reports locally and throughout the Northeast and their experience is very well documented.

Mr. Corl stated that he just received the information and would like to look into it further.

Ms. Boyke stated that Jim had a lot of information for just getting this on Monday.

Mr. Corl stated that he received information today, from Shirlie.

Motion was made by Ms. Boyke, seconded by Ms. Zambrano, to authorize C& S Engineers, Inc, to prepare the 2010 Town of Cicero Landfill Monitoring Report.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway:	No
Mr. Corl:	No
Mr. Jennings:	Yes
Ms. Zambrano:	Yes
Ms. Boyke:	Yes

APPROVAL TO CHANGE GRIEVANCE DAY PERMANENTLY FROM
JUNE TO MAY

Brad Brennan requested that the board consider changing Grievance Day from the first Tuesday in June which is June 7, 2011 which will be the first year of our re-assessment program values, hitting. He wanted to make sure that the Board of Assessment Review has enough time for hearings and deliberations. Brad requested that the move be made to the fourth Thursday in May which is May 26, 2011 for next year.

Ms. Boyke asked if Brad felt one day is going to be sufficient for grievance.

Brad Brennan stated he was sure that it wouldn’t. We will have three panels of Assessment Review personnel and we will have as many evenings and days as we need and we will probably need three hearing days.

Ms. Boyke – We are setting it for May 26, 2011 as the start date.

Brad Brennan – Correct, we could call it the fourth Thursday in May.

Motion was made by Ms. Boyke, seconded by Mr. Conway, to change Grievance Day to the fourth Thursday of the month being May 26, 2011 and for all future Grievance Days to be held the fourth Thursday of the month of May, thereafter.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway:	Yes
Mr. Corl:	Yes
Mr. Jennings:	Yes
Ms. Zambrano:	Yes
Ms. Boyke:	Yes

YOUTH BUREAU, PARKS & RECREATION APPROVAL
OF LINK AGREEMENT FOR CANTEEN

Motion was made by Ms. Zambrano, seconded by Ms. Boyke, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Agreement to use the CanTeen with St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center, LINK Program for January – December 2011 at an amount of \$900.00 per month.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway: Yes
Mr. Corl: Yes
Mr. Jennings: Yes
Ms. Zambrano: Yes
Ms. Boyke: Yes

PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW ABOLISHING POLICE DEPARTMENT
SUBJECT TO REFERENDUM

Proof of publication and posting was presented to the Town Board by Town Clerk.

The public notice read as follows:

PROPOSED NOITCE OF PUBLIC HEARING: TOWN OF CICERO

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Cicero on December 8, 2010, P.M. at the South Bay Fire Department, 8819 Cicero Center Road (corner of Lakeshore Road and Cicero Center Road), Cicero, New York, to consider the following: a local law that abolishes the Town of Cicero Police Department pursuant to Section 150(4) of New York State Town Law, subject to a referendum of qualified voters within the Town of Cicero at a special election held within the Town as provided by law. The local law shall be available for review in the Town Clerk’s office.

Ms. Boyke stated that the public hearing is to consider adopting a Local Law to abolish the Town of Cicero Police Department.

Tony Rivizzigno – The Local Law which is the subject of tonight’s public hearing provides that the Cicero Police Department would be abolished. It does not provide for a merger or a contract with the Sheriff’s Department or any other police agency. The Local Law, if adopted, would abolish the Cicero Police Department, but, only if the public approves the board’s actions of adoption, by a referendum. The referendum would have to be approved by the majority of those voting. Eligible voters must all be registered voters, who are residents of the Town of Cicero. The referendum would be held 60 to 75 days from the Town Board’s action.

Ms. Boyke stated that the public hearing notice was published in the Star News and in the proper locations throughout the town.

Mr. Corl – Given the significance of this issue, could you read the proposed law.

Tony Rivizzigno read the following:

Local Law 8 of the year 2010

A local law abolishing the Cicero Police Department Pursuant to section 150(4) of the New York State Town Law.

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Cicero as follows:

ARTICLE I – ABOLISHING TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Town of Cicero Police Department is hereby abolished pursuant to Section 150(4) of the New York State Town Law.

ARTICLE III – EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law is subject to a public referendum and shall become effective 60 days after approval by a majority of the qualified electors of the Town voting on the proposition duly submitted at a special election held within the Town as provided by law.

Mr. Corl stated that he had a couple of questions relative to that reading of the Local Law. When the Town Board set the public hearing for tonight, the Local Law, that he approved and was in front of him, did not contain that language relative to the 60 day window of period of time after the referendum if people choose to abolish. Basically, at that point, the draft Local Law that we have states that effective immediately that the department would be disbanded.

Tony Rivizzigno explained that the reason it was changed was at the request of the Police Unit. The thought was, if it was abolished, they wanted to have some time for the Police Officers to seek employment. When you have a local law that comes to a public hearing you can always change that local law, so long as you don't make it more restrictive than the local law that you adopted at the public hearing. As a simple example, you have a local law that is considering a 4 way Stop Sign. Example: After the public hearing, you could say we don't want a four way Stop Sign but, we want a two way Stop Sign, which would be less restrictive and would be permissible. The other side of the coin, is that you have a two way stop sign local law and you wanted to make it four ways, you couldn't do that because, that would be more restrictive. The change of the day to have the date 60 days after the referendum is permissible for the town board to consider this.

Mr. Corl asked who's to say this 60 day window is more, or less restrictive.

Tony Rivizzigno explained that it would certainly be more restrictive if you said, the next day that the Police are gone. It would be much less restrictive to say that they have two more months to seek other employment. Again, this was done at the request of the Police Unit.

Mr. Corl stated that the issue he had is that local law that we agreed upon on the 29th of October, was filed with the Town Clerk. Since that time, our Town Clerk has been distributing that Local Law without the 60 day window to the public and it has been posted on our website since that time. It was only on December 3, 2010 when she received an amended Local Law. My concern is liability if this were ever challenged.

Tony Rivizzigno stated that there is no liability and as a matter of fact, at tonight's public hearing, if you were to adopt the law and you would want to include the 60 days, you could do that.

Ms. Boyke – So in other words, that would be an option?

Tony Rivizzigno – Yes, and originally it would have taken place immediately, after the referendum. The Union Official asked if they could have some time in case it was approved that the Police Officer's, could seek other employment.

Mr. Corl asked if that was the Counsel for the Union.

Tony Rivizzigno – Yes it was Mr. Salfero, who is here tonight.

Ms. Boyke stated that there is a list of 40 people who wish to speak and she asked each speaker to state their intention.

The public hearing was opened at 7:30 p.m.

Speaking for and against as follows:

Don Kelly stated he was in favor of adopting the law to abolish the Police. He appreciated the Police, but, the economy is in bad shape and as we move into 2011 it could get worse. We need to be proactive and be prepared. Many people that I've spoken with are in favor of a referendum to give the people a choice. I have my opinion and think the Police and Sheriff's are great, but, I'm for it.

Ed Zaluski stated that our police were the finest and that he was in favor of keeping them. "If it ain't broken you can't fix it".

John Heidenreich lives in Clay, and feels they no longer have the protection they used to have and hasn't seen Sheriff's in school zones where the local police would enforce those areas.

David Vivenzio was in favor of Cicero PD as they are a very good Police Department who know our community. We had a missing 5 year old in the neighborhood, and the Cicero PD, knew where to find him when he got off the school bus at his friends. The Police know our community and were able to find him and reunite him with his anxious parents. Anyone who thinks we don't need our Police, are insane.

Donald Snyder stated that this meeting isn't about the popularity of the Police Department, it's about the town and it's future to survive. On 1/1/2013, the town will lose \$600,000.00 in sales tax money that is currently used to reduce taxes. This money is used to run all the offices in the town, attorney, engineering, information systems, central print and mails, special items, central storage, BINGO Inspector and traffic control, cost for the aging, parks, historian, celebrations, Parks and Recreation, Administration and all playgrounds and recreation centers. \$600,000.00 is 90% of the repair budget that Chris has for next year. If we were to stop using salt on the roads, we'd still have to come up with \$100,000.00 in order to survive that situation. We're going to full market value to determine what our houses are worth and what our new taxes will be for the school years 2011 and 2012. If after the re-assessment, the total town assessment goes up, we'll pay an additional percentage of the county budget. What we're paying for the Sheriff's will go up. The Police Department does a good job, but can we afford to have three Police Agencies provide our security. We're currently paying through our tax bill over two million dollars to support the Sheriff. I would like the Town Board to approve this local law and allow the voters of the town to decide the future regarding the Cicero Police Department.

Gerald Horton spoke against the referendum to eliminate the Police Department. He was concerned about traffic safety, DWI and speeders. Our record for picking up DWI's is exemplary. He also stated that he hasn't seen a Sheriff in Bridgeport in months, but, quite often see's our police cruising through that area. He stated he was confused about the cost and an article he saw in the paper. If we vote to eliminate this department and 8 months later find we need additional police presence, will it cost more then we pay now?

Sandie Kite stated she was for keeping the Police Department and that she's used them several times. Their response time was under 10 minutes and they provide excellent services. Its worth what it costs for the security it provides and we can't afford to have this department abolished.

Deborah Gardner a Cicero resident since 1983 spoke in favor of this law. Over 80 people signed a declaration of support for a referendum to show their support of this law. It is important to realize that people who signed this informal petition have not stated their opposition of the Cicero Police Department. Some wholeheartedly support keeping the Police Department and some want to see it abolished, while some just want more information. They unanimously agree though, that the Cicero voters should have the opportunity to vote in a referendum on this important matter. A vote for this local law is a vote for participatory democracy.

Dan Curran wanted to make it clear that he supported the Police Department and wants them to stay in tact. He has used their services and has benefited from it. He has also been witness to other people being benefitted from the services they provide as they are proactive and are involved in a lot of things.

Jennifer DeLPriore stated she was in favor of the Police Department because they know our community and drive by every day. She grew up here, is raising her child here and knows the Cicero Police cars and Police because they come to community events. It isn't worth what you could possibly save, for what could be taken away from us. They're in the school zones, the schools and they know our children and our children know them and that's the way it should be.

Marilyn Berson stated that she was retained Counsel for the NYS Union of Police Associations. We represent the Cicero PBA. I have this evening, with me an 8 page statement that I would like to hand out to the board in lieu of reading it. I would like to make some points that are made in the letter, and I am addressing legal issues that the NYS Union of Police and the PBA have with the action that the board is taking this evening. First of all, as mentioned by Councilman Corl, you have amended your local law and because it's amended, it has to sit on your desk for seven days. As I understand it, that amended local law is just being presented this evening. If you vote on that local law tonight, when there has been an amendment, before the seven days has expired, you will be in violation of Municipal Home Rule Law, which will be one basis to set aside your local law. The second basis is I have yet to see any documentation that is being considered by this board under the NYS Environmental Quality Review Act. You started your meeting stating that everything on the agenda is a Type II Action unless specifically noted. This is not a Type II Action. This is an Unlisted Action, that requires that this board completes what is called a long form EAF and that it notifies all involved or interested agency's which at a minimum includes the Sheriff's Department and the State Police, to get their written comments, with respect to the action that the Board is taking this evening. I have not seen any SEQR resolution that's before this board. If you do not review this local law under the State Environmental Review Act, before you adopt the local law, it's going to be the second basis for us to have this local law set aside. For you to do your Environmental Review, you have to find that your action will have no potential negative affect on the community of the Town of Cicero. As I set forth in my letter, to you, Chief Snell, in a written statement that was submitted to the board in response to the Citizens Committee report, pointed out over and over, the negative affects that this action was going to have. Response time is going to be delayed, length of criminal investigations are going to be extended. There will be no community Policing, no e-policing, no Neighborhood Watch or bike patrols. The list goes on and on in that letter. This board must look at each and every one of those environmental impacts under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and find that none of them exists in order to adopt this local law. In addition, I just want to make two other points, again with respect to legal issues. The first is that I understand that the local law does not provide for any consolidation or contracting of services with the Sheriff's Department and State Police. If this board were at any time in the

near future going to attempt to do that, the PBA have a right to file what is called an improper practice charge with the NYS Public Employment Relations Board, because this board can not take unit work and contract it out to another agency without PBA approval. Whether that happens before, or at the same time or after, this local law is adopted the PBA has the right to go and challenge that. If we prevail, that board can order reinstatement of the Police Officers and award back wages in addition to the money that you are going to pay to the Sheriff's Department or State Police. Finally, if these officer's are terminated, they have the right under the Taylor Law, to negotiate the impact of that termination on them. What that means, is money. That means that the town is going to be on the hook for lost wages, health benefits and other contractual benefits, that these officers have. One final comment and another legal issue with respect to the local law is that the local law doesn't take affect until it is filed with the Secretary of State. I think that the attorney for the town may have misunderstood the conversation with our Union. As I understand it from our President, the conversation and one of the points in my letter, is why are you rushing this through? This doesn't have to be voted on tonight. Why does the Police Department have to be abolished the night of a mandatory referendum is done or two months afterward? You budgeted that for 2011. Our request was having your local law provision that you keep your Police Department in 2011 as you budgeted, give some time to the residents to digest the information and make it effective at the end of 2011, not 60 days after it's adopted. I would ask that my letter be made part of this record because all of the environmental issues that I think this board has to consider and has not considered and as we get better information on and should it bring in a professional agency like the NYS Department of Criminal Justice. The service that comes in is free and looks at a community, looks at its Police Department and professionals who all they deal with is crime issues, police issues, and makes recommendations, not only for whether a dissolution makes any sense, but, cost saving measures. That's something that the town has not done. You have relied on a well meaning, but, not a professional Citizens Committee to provide you with that. I would ask that you would consider these very important legal issues, because if they are not addressed, the validity of the local law and the referendum is going to be called into question.

A copy of Ms. Berson letter will be on file in the Town Clerk's Office and has been distributed to the Town Board Members.

Mr. Lawless stated that he wished to speak against this resolution. He had a lot of questions and felt that the public has been misled as there is a lot of misinformation out there. If the board were to vote on this tonight would be a mistake. The Cicero Police Department is a vital part of this community, just like this Fire Department is. There are volunteers, who work with the Police Department who help them and we will lose those volunteers as well. Without people who volunteer, this community doesn't exist. I believe it is in the best interest of the board to not vote on this referendum tonight.

Vinny Hollopeter stated that he has been a business owner in Cicero for many years and have paid plenty of taxes to the Town of Cicero, but, resides in the Town of Clay. Two years ago Clay went through a similar process in dissolving their Police Department. There were all sorts of promises to save tax money. While I am not a CPA and I don't want to pretend to be an accountant, and I have never audited the books at the Town of Clay, but, I have not seen any reduction in my Town of Clay Taxes. Secondly, I am pretty involved in community activities, such as festivals, functions, or anything that involves young people. The Cicero Police are there anytime that we need anything, whether it is traffic control, support, or security for things such as the Gus Macker Tournament. They are always there in full force bending over backwards to help us. With no disrespect to the Sheriff's Department, I don't know if we would get that kind of local support from the Sheriff's Department that we get from the Cicero Police Department. Thirdly, on behalf of my daughter, who does live in the Town of Cicero, she was very impressed with the fact that on Halloween night, there were patrol cars from the Cicero Police through her neighborhood on several occasions, talking and waving to the kids and being very personable. I am speaking on her behalf, but she was very pleased with that and would like to see the Police Department retained as well.

Gloria Hamilton also supported the Police Department and was grateful to the Chief and Officers for their assistance. She feels a sense of safety with them going through our neighborhood and the money she spends in her taxes for Police Service will save or protect a life and give everyone that comfortable feeling. They are also proactive with our teenagers and it is Chief Snell and our Officers who are guiding these children.

Donald Haselmayer wanted to make it clear that this is an abolishment and not a merger and there will not be additional cars on the road from the Sheriff's Department. We are going to lose these gentlemen and that's the end of that story. Also, as our elected Official's, your number one responsibility bar none, is to provide for the safety and security of the 30,000 Town of Cicero residents by eliminating this department and the fine men and women that are providing that security. If you were to do this you would not be fulfilling your primary responsibility.

Maureen Block – As we have heard many times this evening, the economy is one of the primary reasons we are considering abolishing the Police Department. It has been proven that during tough economic times, crime increases, therefore we would need more support. Who is going to bear the cost of this referendum? If we're looking to save money, let's look to abolish the vote and keep the Cicero Police Department because safety has no price.

Carol Pardee stated she was in favor of keeping the Cicero Police Department.

Bob Popyk asked the board how much it is costing each household to have our Police Department.

Shirlie Stuart explained that on a \$100,000.00 home, the taxes will be \$89.47 a year. If your house is valued at \$200,000.00 it will be \$178.95 for 2011.

Bob Popyk asked how we can afford not to have the Police Department. We have e-policing and the Volunteers who do a great job. Brewerton River Park has no lights and drug deals are going on every day of the week there. By having our Police there, it is keeping it under control. I don't believe many residents know how much extra our Cicero Police do for us and I can't see the Sherriff's or State Police doing some of this. They are a real credit to our community.

Kolan Bisbee stated a year ago he had an experience where a hooded individual came to his home and he chose not to answer the door. The individual walked across the yard down between the houses and around the back and began to try and get in the back door. He called 911 and the Police were there within five minutes and within 12 minutes, they knew who did it. I also wanted to know what the annual cost is for the Police Department.

Shirlie Stuart – For 2011 it is \$1,685,056.38.

Kolan Bisbee – In looking at a communiqué from the County Executive regarding additional help and although we can't do that, it would cost 4.5 million dollars per year in 2011 and it would go up the following year. The figures that were presented earlier that we're paying per month would be \$7.00 to \$8.00 per household, and you want to abolish the Police Department. We've had vandalism in our neighborhood and they send a car and they can respond should a problem arise. E-policing is another good way to find out what is going on. I would like to keep the Police Department.

Todd Caputo is a business owner of Sun Auto on Route 11 stated the Police do a wonderful job and are very professional. They've had to come to my business on an occasion when a person had a heart attack. I have also had crime at my dealership and they've investigated and followed up. I receive e-mails everyday from the Cicero Police Department, telling me about the crime that is going on in the area and how it may affect my business and I think that is extremely important. I also pay a lot of taxes to do business in this town and if you want to raise my taxes to keep the Police Department, go ahead and do it. To get rid of the Police Department would be a big mistake. If you want to draw more businesses into the town and have the town grow on Route 11 and the corridor, I would think it would be a benefit to the Town to have a Local Police Department. My property is worth more, because I have a Local Police Department looking over it and a resident should feel the same way. Anyone who is trying to sell their house or any developer's can offer anyone who moves into the town, a Police Department. Even though we're experiencing tough economic times, you can't cut services to people. There have got to be other ways to save money and to get rid of the safety for our resident's, our homes and businesses by abolishing the Police would be insane.

Joe Caputo stated that he has worked both sides the fence as a business person and as a Police Officer. People have to understand that governments were originally formed to protect the citizens against robbers and marauders and that is why we have a Town Board, Police Department and Fire Departments and EMT's. The Cicero Police Department was formed because the County and State weren't able to handle this and they were unable to protect this community adequately. This town has grown by thousands of people in recent years. The businesses and tax revenue has quadrupled here and you are now considering eliminating a layer of protection that these people deserve to have. The benefits of the Cicero Police are that they do preventive work by patrolling and the presence of a black police car helps to deter crime in the area. They're familiar with the people who live here and who belong here, or don't belong here. Taking away this layer of protection is going to be a detriment to all of us. I understand that the County is being paid by this town, two million dollars or more. Why hasn't the town approached the County and ask why they don't give us back a million dollars because we're taking care of 70% of the Police calls? What sense does it make to pay them this money when our Police Department is doing three quarters of the work? Our business collects 4 million dollars in sales tax annually. I'm sure the residents, would like to have control of the money that they pay in taxes stay in the town and know where it goes. When you give this control to the county you lose control of the money. The County has told you to eliminate the Police Department and that they'll protect you, yet the letter from the County Executive says if we have to put deputies in, it's going to cost several thousands of dollars more a year. Why can't we pay ourselves and put in our own Police Department that we already have? Taxes are going to be raised in the Town of Cicero and all throughout the County. The Sheriff has said that he is short money this year and that they were ready to lay deputies off. As far as I'm concerned, you're getting a bang for your buck with this Police Department and are paying 1.6 million dollars in protection. There are other areas around here that are paying double Police protection, with half the population. What is going to stop you in the future from closing South Bay Fire Department, or Cicero Station II, some EMT's or Parks & Recreation? Why not just give it to the county? Do you people want to give up control of your money here? Do you want to give up this protection? I don't think so. In my estimation there is no free ride and you get what you pay for in this town and receive more than what you pay for in Police protection.

Michael Lefancheck, Chief of Police for Baldwinsville and current Chairman of Onondaga County Chapter of the Chief's of Police stated that it goes without saying that we speak in favor of the Cicero Police Department and against this Local law. More importantly I think for this process, that it remains factual and that we focus on the facts. The facts are that the Town of Cicero Police Department handles more than 2/3 of all the calls for service that occurs in this township. The fact that anyone would suggest that should the Cicero Police Department be abolished and that you will receive the same level of service for those more than 11,000 calls for service is simply an irresponsible statement on anyone's part. I have read the letter from the County Executive that was sent to the Town Supervisor last month and quite simply

it is not factual in a number of key areas. The County Executive states in the letter that the Sheriff's Office does not have any positions cut by the County Legislature this year, during their budget process. That isn't true as they lost 20 road patrol positions. If the County Executive had spoken to speak to the Sheriff and asked him that, she would have known that. For her to comment that the Sheriffs and State Police would begin to take those 11,000 calls for service is not true. She did not speak with the head of the State Police or the Sheriff to find out whether those organizations could handle those calls for service. The quick answer is that they can't and they can't handle the 11,000 calls the Town of Cicero Police handle. When we talk about the Cicero Police Department, your talking about a community based organization and that has been said many times tonight. Their E-policing Program, Volunteer and Police Services Programs and Neighborhood Watch would all vanish according to this local law in 60 days, if this is approved. I don't think that is in the best interest of this community. I think it is important for the five board members, to think about, what the hallmark and backbone of the Town of Cicero is and what makes up this community. The residents of the Town of Cicero enjoy raising their families here because they feel safe and because it is a good place to live and business people feel it's a good place to do business. The men and women of the Town of Cicero Police Department have had a large hand in people feeling that way and they deserve the support, not only from the residents, but from this board. I would strongly urge this board to vote against this law.

Pat Rizzo stated that she was in favor of the Cicero Police Department and didn't know how we got to this spot. She realizes there is a bad economy out there, but didn't see this town making decisions on how to save money and is concerned about the town. She felt in looking over the figures that we are getting a lot more for our money now than we would with two deputies. We are currently plowing roads for the county. They have been trying to get us to do that for years and have always tried to give us less money than they would have to pay to have it done. Now, with the price of gas, I hope you made a good contract and your monies worth for the work that is done by our town's department. I've lived here for 44 years, our Highway Department is great, our Park & Recreation is great and a lot of people have moved here because of these things and I don't think you have the right to take it away from anybody. I don't know how you said get rid of the Police Department. We want these things and that is what brought us to Cicero in the first place. Anytime you give something to somebody else, or to a different entity such as the County, I will guarantee you, within two years, you're still not going to have any say about the County budget. You don't vote on or I don't vote on it. They can do anything they want. Remember that. They could say you need three deputies and you will have no right to say anything. You will get charged a lot of money for it. Also, Mr. Corl was worried about C & S, but, from 1984 to 1994 when I was on the Town Board, we paid O'Brien & Gere \$10,000.00 per year to monitor the landfill. I also want to congratulate the Cicero Falcons for winning 1st place in Florida. Leave my town alone.

Tom Newton moved to Cicero from Clay with our children two years ago and a deciding factor for us was the Cicero Police Department. It is egregious that this board would consider bringing this to a referendum. Someone said that this was a participatory democracy. That's wrong, we elected all of you, or other people elected you because I wasn't here, to represent us as a representative democracy. You are the ones who need to make the vote and it shouldn't come to the people of this town. I have heard that there are 85 signatures to go to referendum. When I look at this room right now, there are over 85 people here who will tell you this should not go to a referendum. Mr. Caputo talked about receiving daily e-mails daily, but, if we lose the men and women of this police Mr. Caputo's in box will be full as there will be crime everywhere. We can not tolerate this and please don't bring it to referendum.

Joseph Plano stated he was in favor of keeping the Cicero Police Department intact. In 2010 the Police handled 79% of all reportable incidents in Cicero. They also held community meetings to discuss local problems, they established several Neighborhood Watch Programs and in the last three years, they have received two awards from the Onondaga County Neighborhood Watch Program for their community work and policing efforts. They were also nominated for a national award, though they didn't get that, they were good enough to be submitted. They are also accredited by the NYS Police Department to do forensic investigations, criminal investigations, property management and what have you. That's like a pat on the back from big brother from the NYS Police Department. They have traffic enforcement, bike patrol and they have the Volunteers. To do away with that I'd save \$48.00 a year. I spend more than that at the diner buying coffee. I was shocked when I saw the crime map. There is crime all over the Town of Cicero. I think it would be a gross mistake to do away with our Police Department. If the town were to merge and contract with the County for two cars, our local police cost would be \$84,200.00 cheaper than the cost for two cars. In 2013 it would be \$114,741.00 cheaper, then those two cars and it's even more in 2014. Contracting with the County won't be a money saving proposition. I am all for keeping our local police department. We need them and this map scared me when I saw it.

Michael Radziewski thanked the board for holding this forum to give people the opportunity to address these issues. He was concerned that there was going to be a lot of misinformation about this whole procedure as to what we can, or can't expect from the Sheriff's and the State Troopers and the County in general. The Chief from Baldwinsville mentioned that the Sheriff's Department is losing 20 road officers. I don't know if that takes into effect, the fourteen deputies that are retiring in that 20 officer figure. Can that be answered?

Answer inaudible.

Mike Radziewski stated that the NY State Police Department hasn't hired a police officer in two years, so we can expect fewer deputies from the County. The County maintains the County Jail and they are required to have minimum staffing in there depending on the number of inmates they have, or they risk a State fine. The county isn't going to pull officers out of the jail to patrol our streets. If you look at page 43

of the report that was done by the Citizens Review Board, it listed a figure of slightly less than \$64.00 per \$194,000.00 house. That was the number for 2010, but we're still talking about money that is less than taking two people to dinner at a mediocre restaurant and barely leaving a tip for the waitress. It is also less money than you would pay Time Warner to monitor an alarm in your house. There are ways to save money and he suggested that consideration be given to slightly reducing the benefits, or the number of officers. There are some things that can be done. You're talking about abolishing the department and not talking about a reduction and it would be no easy task to reinstate, redeploy, or re-develop a Police Department once you do that. Sheriff Walsh and Undersheriff Darby have stated that Cicero gets a really good value from our Officers and our department in general. We're looking at 2 ½ officers per shift per day for the 1.6 million dollar figure. All or nothing is a really bad way to go with this. Clay's taxes haven't gone down and the County is looking to raise the money and the fees they charge to the Town of Clay by 36% over the next four years, which is 9% a year that they will have to pay to get the policing level that they currently have. What we pay to the County goes to maintain the jail and the swat team. There is no guarantee that they have to send a single patrol car out here. Very often there is sheriff's patrol car in the vicinity of Gillette Road School and the school district is paying for that car, which is extra and above the 2.4 million that we're paying to the county. Response time to different locations is also a concern especially if you have to wait for a Sheriff or Trooper. To sum this up Cicero, more cops, less money.

Al Kalfass stated that he was very concerned about this. If you watch the news, you see all kinds of crime lately, which affects the Police. He supports the Cicero Police Department as well as the Sheriff's Department, so I think you need both. The call volume alone shows that. He was concerned that the board wasn't looking at other options. The Fire Departments and EMS work well with the Cicero Police Department and they protect us, so we can do our jobs.

Jim Corl, Sr. stated he was in favor of keeping the Police Department and was opposed to the resolution that is being proposed to go before the voters. He felt that there wasn't enough time to educate the people on what they would be voting on. After he heard the attorney for the PBA, he was concerned about the liability the town may have, if this was put to a vote. Conceivably, this could cost us more in the long run for legal bills. He asked if we ever approached the County to see if we could get some relief from the amount we pay them or by them giving us more service and he could not see how this could be put up for a referendum without more investigation.

Laura Radziewski explained that she was adamantly opposed to the abolishment of the Police Department and felt our safety and security needs to be preserved.

Scott Carns a newer resident to the town was happy the town had a Police Department, which helped them in their decision to move here, but, was concerned if there was a crime in another township, that the Sheriff's car would be pulled away from the Town of Cicero. He asked the board if they had any information that they could provide that would be of benefit as to why we should abolish the Police Department other than the cost savings of \$48.00 per year.

Ms. Boyke – We are not prepared to answer. In this public hearing we're looking and listening to take all of this into consideration. Obviously, we've done a lot of thought process through this as well.

Scott Carns - The Cicero PD operates with the lowest budget in the County, which he thought was pretty amazing. It's very easy to abolish a Police Department, however to get one back and running again, is going to take a lot more than anybody here knows. The times and economy are tough and crime is up, yet there is shortages in police staffing. If different areas, in the city and other locations, had their own police departments, it would help to deter crime. The Town Board can abolish the Police Department with the swipe of a pen and we can abolish the Town Board as well.

Frank DeFrancesco a resident of the town for 10 years stated that we have friendly neighborhoods and many good kids. When you need the Cicero Police Department they are there for you and I would like to thank them for everything they have done for me and my family and my neighborhood. You can't put a price on this service. They put their lives on the line and we need them. If you abolish them, you might as well but an ad in the paper that says crime free, Cicero NY and they'll come.

Chet Dudzinski stated that he has had the opportunity to work with the Cicero Police Department for over 16 years as a former elected official and they are probably one of the most professional departments he has had the opportunity to work with. He was also glad that he was at the end of the line of speakers because if you were to take into consideration the amount of people that came here tonight, there have only been about 6 people that have spoken against the Cicero Police.

Audience – There have been 3

Chet Dudzinski – There are 3 people who do not like the Cicero Police Department. If any of you on the Town Board even considers bringing this to a referendum, you should resign, because it is about the safety of the people in the Town of Cicero, tonight. It is not about politics or about who likes who or anything like that. You shouldn't even consider this. These people do a wonderful job. Look at the people who are here tonight on such miserable night, to speak in favor of the Cicero Police Department. As other individuals have said, that's what you were elected to represent, the 30,000 people in this town, not the 80

people who signed a petition and probably aren't even here. If you are that opposed to anything, you'd be right up here where I'm standing, hollering and screaming to get rid of the Police. Where are they? They aren't here. Don't consider this, cause it could come back to burn you.

Mike Sears spoke in favor of the Cicero Police Department and couldn't believe that this issue has gotten to this point and stated that if any board member voted in favor of this referendum, it would be disgusting.

Karen Lee spoke in favor of the Police. If we go with the Sheriff's they will be re-active and not proactive and asked that the board vote no, relative to getting rid of the Cicero Police Department.

Carl Aley spoke in favor of the Cicero Police Department stating that he was concerned that if we got rid of the Cicero Police and relied on the Sheriff's that we might have only two cars. What would happen to the people in Bridgeport or our emergency services such as Fire Departments who need them? Will we have to wait an hour for their response? We need to keep the Cicero Police Department.

Ed Fry thanked Chief Snell and the men and women in the back of the room who have protected him all the years he has lived here. I had quick response by the Cicero Police when I needed them. I thought it was interesting that we have people from Clay here tonight, who have told us their taxes haven't gone down. Others moved here, because we have Police. The post cars, don't necessarily stay in the Clay area, but, get dispatched like anybody else. One of the post cars from Clay was doing traffic control at the Bridgeport Field Days Parade, which took them away from the Town of Clay. They go where the Sheriff's Department tells them to go and it doesn't mean they stay within the confines of the Town of Clay, or that they'll stay in the confines of the Town of Cicero when they are here. When they get a call, or if another agency needs help, they're going to go to that too. I am not sure how we got to this point. We went to meetings and got information and your own numbers said that 80% of the people who spoke at those meetings were in favor of keeping the department. At board meeting that I attended you would hear two angry people who wanted to get rid of the Police Department. In my opinion, we shouldn't even be having this public hearing and the Board could have ended this, because 80% of the people who came to those meetings wanted to retain the Police Department. Why are we paying more money for the Sheriff's than Salina does? We need to sit down with the County as we aren't going to get the same level of service. There is also an ISO rating which is what insurance companies use to rate your Homeowners Insurance and consists of information gathered about the Police Department, Highway Department and Codes Enforcement and it creates your ISO rating which is directly correlated to how much premium you pay for your Homeowners Insurance. Has anyone looked into this? I am a life member of the North Syracuse Fire Department, an active member of the Brewerton Fire Department and the Brewerton Ambulance. When I go to calls in Brewerton, the Cicero Police Department is there. The other night, we had a bad snow storm and received a call at Bayshore Apartments, where a person was unconscious and a Cicero Police Officer, made his way there, to be sure we had Police presence. I would like to say that when you take away these community Police Officers, you take away a piece of your community. These guys know the players of the game and they know the kids in the area. They get things done here because they are part of our community and part of our lives and I won't tell a brother fireman or Police Officer that I don't need them any longer.

Andrew Landes - 92% of the people here don't want the board to even consider voting to abolish the police. He asked the board if they ever considered how many people would chose not to live here because of this? The Police, fire service and our roads are services we need to have and would be willing to pay more to keep those services. You are not listening to your people and I hate to see you come up in the next election period.

Anthony Testa, Member on the Executive Committee at the Golisano Children's Hospital explained that Chief Snell, his Officers and Volunteer Team provide assistance by keeping traffic at bay and in control during their Miracle Ride, where 500 motorcyclists ride to raise money for the children's hospital. His Team also provides many other services to this town. I live in the Town of Clay and voted against our town merging with the Sheriff's and will tell you, if you abolish your Police Department, you will have minimized response time and you will not have the coverage. In the Town of Clay, Officers can be in any part of the County and that is true. I urge this board to save the Police Department and keep it in tact.

Gary Ryan has lived in this community for 44 years and has had a lot of help from our Police Department and was in support of keeping them. Every time his daughter needed an ambulance, the Cicero Police were there to make sure things went smoothly.

Leslie Ross was also in support of the Cicero Police Department and was sure that the PBA's Legal and Attorney will stop this from going to referendum. She thought that this would reflect on the board and there would be a terrible backlash against them. If the Cicero Police were dissolved, she didn't think that the board would like that as their legacy and look back and say, that's what we did in our tenure. If the Cicero Police are dissolved, it isn't like in five years we can create to start a new department. I think once their gone, they will be gone. It should not go to vote. She was concerned that by abolishing the Police it would put people out of work in an already difficult economy and it seemed cruel to her to take away people's jobs. Growing up she was a Police Explorer and it was valuable to her and would be a program available to her son and she didn't want to loose that and want her boys to have that option. Being a Police Officer is a worthy career. She asked that we don't spend anymore time on this and stop damaging the Police Department, with stress and everything else.

Fred Woznica, Jr. expressed his support for the Police Department and understood that in a full national emergency that Police agencies would be federalized. The other night he heard Janet Napolitano warn American's to be vigilant for anything out of the ordinary. Benjamin Franklin warned us about sacrificing our freedoms in the guise of security stating that in a democracy people have a say through their elected representatives and then read a quotation.

Kevin Delaney thanked Chief Snell on behalf of himself and his family and community, for his help during health crisis situation he had. He arrived at my home prior to the ambulance, which arrived 10 minutes later and began aid. Chief Snell is a trained EMT and without this help I could have ended in a more serious situation.

Jody Rogers stated that without the Police Department her department would have additional costs brought upon them. As it stands right now, not only the P & R Department, but Pop Warner Football, Cicero Little League, North Syracuse Little League, Cicero Youth Soccer League, Cicero Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the CanTeen, all utilize the services brought forth by our Cicero Police Department. Whether it's property checks, park checks, vandalism reports, background checks for staff and volunteers, employee training, CPR, AED, First Aid, all the special events that my department puts on as well as the Chamber and agencies and organizations in the town. The Police Department is there for traffic and pedestrian control, pep rallies, opening day ceremonies, community festivals, parades, the VIP's are amazing. As a Department Head, I want to speak in favor of our Police Department. I've been with the town twenty three plus years and I've been through five Chief's of Police from Amos May, right up to Chief Snell. The professionalism and the training that they do within their own department is top notch, so as the Head of the Department of Parks and Recreation, I want to speak in favor.

The Public hearing was closed at 9:15 p.m.

Board Comments:

Mr. Corl stated that this is probably the most critical issue that he has ever seen come before the Town Board in the seven years that he has been on the board. Over these seven years we have invested in the Police Department and have made decisions to fund them by hiring officers, going to a fulltime Police agency to protect the citizens to make sure that they receive the services that they deserve, especially with the growth we've had over the last several years. During the period of time under Chief Snell, we've seen our department become an accredited Police Department, which is a huge undertaking. The paperwork was enormous that included data and reports that the Chief had to file with the State of New York to become accredited. We have one of the best Police Departments in Central New York with the Cicero Police Department. We have a staff of dedicated Officers and a majority of them reside within the town, so they have a vested interest in our community. They are not only our officers, but, our neighbors. They treat our town like it is part of their family. You can't replace that with anything else besides a local Police Department. When NAVAC responded to calls, the only Police Department that shows up is the local Police Department to provide assistance to those calls. We also have a system that Chief Snell has set up where volunteers provide an additional service at no cost to the town. We also provide an e-policing system at no additional cost to the town and is a service that is very well liked and has a distribution list of over 1,500 to 1,700 households. With that being said, I think that my point made earlier, that the Town Board on October 29, 2010, voted to have a public hearing. That public hearing and the terms and conditions, Article I and Article II, were set forth at that date. Since that time, that Local Law has been modified. Mr. Rivizzigno has said that it is okay, that we can modify it. I did not see that revision until this morning and didn't know it was on file with the County Clerk's Office until yesterday. I don't know why additional terms were put in it at the last minute. However, I think everything that Counsel for the Union has said, which is in the 7 or 8 page document that he has submitted, needs to be reviewed. I want a detailed legal opinion to counter that. No matter what, if the board votes on this, it is an illegal measure. With that being said and even with the support for the Police Department that we've seen tonight which is about 95%, when the Police Committee went around and did their public forum, they had 80 to 85 percent support. We've added additional support this evening, than what was at the public forums through the Committee. Those are my comments and I support the Police Department. I have a sign in my front yard on Route 31. I hope everyone else will do the same. No matter how this turns out, the Police need to see those type signs and that type of support from the community because it helps them do their job.

Mr. Conway – I think that everyone who spoke tonight’s heart was in it. We had 40 people who spoke and four people were for the referendum and 36 against it.

Mr. Jennings – This is probably one of the best organized public hearings that I have seen in a long time and the audience should be commended the way you held back and the way you presented yourselves. I am going to have to go along with the Attorney for the PBA that presented some documents. I think we need to take a look at those and do further study and review on this procedure at this time. I am not against and think we have a wonderful Police Force. I’ve seen them out on Halloween and have seen them do many things. There are a lot of issues and we need to look at the documents that were presented tonight and do further study before we take any action.

Ms. Zambrano – I also want to thank everyone for their comments. I do believe that those comments spoken by individuals were also from the heart. I’m sure the feelings were all quite sincere. I did have a couple of reactions to some of the comments. I disagree with the idea that having a referendum is somehow not representative of the people, or that we’re not representing the interests of the community. I think that a referendum is the best way for all of the people to express their beliefs and how they want the town to proceed and how they want the town to be governed. This is a democracy after all and I think that having a referendum would be a good idea. I am moved by all of the comments here. I do agree that we need further study and consideration. I think that we’re not in a hurry to do this and I am concerned about the people who are not here. I have been contacted by a great number of people who have said that they will not come here to speak against the Police Department because they didn’t want to criticize the Police openly. There is a group of people out there. Everyone participates in government a little bit differently. I think we have to respect that. If people are not here, it doesn’t mean they do not care as deeply or as sincerely. I really do believe in a referendum. However, the people here have made it clear that this is not what they want. I think we should take some more time for the board to consider and not more studies and not wasting more money, just for the board to consider the issues. I think that a number of extremely valid points have been brought up tonight and I don’t think that we’re in a hurry.

There were some outbursts from the audience and Ms. Boyke asked everyone to respect them as well as we have respected you.

Ms. Boyke thanked everyone for being at the meeting and stated that the object of the public hearing is to allow people to speak and is the reason that we had this. The people have spoken for it and against it, but, not as many. The legal points that were brought up this evening are something that we need to look at and investigate further. I would ask that the board, because we do have a resolution which is for this public hearing, to vote for the Local Law and would ask our attorney in respect to that, as to the procedure we would do.

Mr. Rivizzigno – After the public hearing you do not have to vote tonight on the resolution and you can choose to do that another time, or you can chose not to adopt the resolution at all, but, it does not have to be done tonight.

Motion was made by Ms. Boyke, seconded by Mr. Jennings, to NOT adopt a local law to abolish the Cicero Police Department.

The motion was approved as follows:

Mr. Conway:	Yes
Mr. Corl:	Yes
Mr. Jennings:	Yes
Ms. Zambrano	Yes
Ms. Boyke:	Yes

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The people in the audience shouted Thank you.

Pat Rizzo - Every time you have a public hearing at the Town Hall, you go by the majority of the people that are in that audience. You don't have the referendum on every thing. So, you had the right to vote on this tonight.

Ms. Boyke - We knew that.

Pat Rizzo stated that Jessica was aiming for the referendum.

Engineer Comments - None

Attorney Comments - None

Board Comments - None

Tracy Cosilmon thanked the South Bay Fire Department and Jim Hurley for his time and the use of his equipment for tonight's meeting.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Tracy M. Cosilmon
Town Clerk

