

**VETERANS & SENIORS COMMITTEE
of the
SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

Minutes

A regular meeting of the Veterans & Seniors Committee of the Suffolk County Legislature was held in the Rose Y. Caracappa Legislative Auditorium of the William H. Rogers Legislature Building, Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown, New York, on **March 27, 2003**.

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Legislator William J. Lindsay - Chairman
Legislator Martin W. Haley - Vice Chairperson
Legislator Cameron Alden

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Legislator Andrew A. Crecca - Excused absence

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Legislator Angie Carpenter
Paul Sabatino - Counsel to the Legislature
Terrence Pearsall - Aide to Legislator Lindsay
Frank Tassone - Aide to Legislator Crecca
Ray Zaccaro - Aide to Legislator Bishop
Art Lozeau - Director, Veterans Service Agency
Meghan O'Reilly - Presiding Officer's Office
Roger Podd - Presiding Officer's Office
Holly Rhodes-Teague - Director, Office of the Aging
Joe Muncey - Budget Review Office
Bill Faulk - County Executive's Office, Budget
Barbara Wolford - Seniors Umbrella Network
Sandra Butler - Seniors Umbrella Network
Other Interested Parties

MINUTES TAKEN BY:

Ana Grande- Court Stenographer

(THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:35 A.M.)

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay. We're going to call the Veterans & Seniors Committee to order and Legislator Haley is going to lead us in the pledge.

(SALUTATION)

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

I think it's more than appropriate that we have a moment of silence that we think of our soldiers that are in harms way right at this moment and just say a little prayer that we get them home safe and quickly.

(MOMENT OF SILENCE)

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay. Thank you. We do have some guests here today from the Senior Umbrella Network. Ladies, would you like to come up. You can have a seat there by the mike and just talk into the mike.

MS. BUTLER:

Thank you for the invitation. I'm Sandra Butler, Co-Chair of Senior Umbrella Network. And during the day I am Director of Nursing at Peconic Landing out in Greenport.

MS. WOLFORD:

Good morning. I'm Barbara Wolford, Co-Chair with Sandra of the Senior Umbrella Network. I also represent Suffolk County for the New York State Coalition for the Aging as a Board member and I work for Davidow, Davidow, Seigel and Stern, an elder law firm in Islandia. I'm the Director of Geriatric Care Services. Thank you.

MS. BUTLER:

We thank you for this invitation, especially since senior citizens represent over 11.8 percent of our Suffolk County population over the age of sixty-five. So we'd like to tell you a little bit about the Senior Umbrella Network and then Barbara would like to tell you about the survey that we did to the seniors of Suffolk County and the results of that. So we thank you for this opportunity.

Our organization is composed of people who have an interest in one capacity or another in the needs of seniors in Suffolk County representing nursing homes, hospitals, agencies, businesses, elder law attorneys, assisted living, all gamuts of services for seniors.

We started as a grassroots organization some fifteen years ago and now have grown to a membership of about three hundred individuals, mostly professionals and business people, who are in one capacity or another serving our senior citizens in Suffolk County.

Having been successful in that endeavor, a few years ago there was an offspring to our organization in Nassau County, which is SUNN, with a double "N", Senior Umbrella Network of Nassau, and currently this year there's another offspring into Queens. So we are growing because we are an aging population and the needs of our seniors continue to grow.

The Senior Umbrella Network meets on a monthly basis rotating sites in Suffolk County. And we have three meeting sites, one in the central part of Suffolk and one in the north fork and one in the south fork. And our purpose is to share information, to network, but mostly to advocate for the needs of our seniors in Suffolk County.

And Barbara is going to talk a little bit about the survey that we did, which we featured in our annual breakfast this year in February on housing issues for seniors. And that's kind of where we'd like to talk to you about.

MS. WOLFORD:

As Sandra said, one of our missions is advocacy, and we felt that as professionals it shouldn't be just us trying to determine what the seniors in Suffolk County need or what they felt their issues or concerns were, so we developed a committee and we proposed a survey and we put a questionnaire out to survey the seniors to see what they felt their concerns were. And our goal was to reach maybe one hundred or two hundred seniors and over the course of a year we actually were able to get the results from approximately three thousand seniors. So, it's a substantial survey.

And we found that a little over two thousand were female, the remainder were males. Fifteen

hundred or more represented Brookhaven Town and other townships followed. But it was interesting to find that the three major concerns that they felt were their biggest issues were transportation, the second was affordable health insurance and medications and the third was affordable and available housing in Suffolk County.

In April 2002, we collaborated with the New York State Coalition for the Aging and the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council and had a conference and forum on transportation issues and actually were able to find ways to try to get some funding for transportation issues and needs for the seniors in Suffolk.

As Sandra said, in 2003 at our annual breakfast, which was just held a few weeks ago, our panel was speaking about housing issues. We had someone that represented us from Catholic Charities, Ed Romaine was there as a speaker and we also had other senior advocates for housing.

What we're really looking to do and what has really come out of that breakfast is that we have established a task force to try to find some answers to housing initiatives, affordable housing for seniors. We were told at the breakfast that there's six thousand seniors in Suffolk County that are looking for affordable senior housing.

In addition to the service, the survey and the advocacy efforts, we have done depression screenings for mental health for geriatric population for the past two years at eleven different sites and that has been very helpful in light of 9/11 and things of that nature.

What we also have identified are there are major mental health issues with the geriatric population. A lot of the local hospitals don't have areas for geriatrics that have mental health needs, so we're in the process of organizing a conference in collaboration with the New York State Coalition For the Aging and some East End organizations to have a mental health conference in the fall of 2003 to try to identify what the mental health issues are and also some interventions and strategies.

So what we're really hoping that you can do is offer us some assistance and try to help us move forward with the survey results and try to establish some remedies. And we do have the surveys here for anyone that would like a copy of them. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Legislator Alden.

LEG. ALDEN:

Hi. Thanks for coming down. The six thousand seniors that you mentioned that are looking for affordable housing, are they -- are some of them in danger of losing their houses or are they in situations where they have to live with other family members? Is there something that's prevalent through that or a majority of one or the other?

MS. BUTLER:

These six thousand individuals have been identified on waiting lists --

LEG. HALEY:

Section 8.

MS. BUTLER:

-- for Section 8 subsidized houses. I will tell you a couple of stories that I have personally encountered out on the East End. I'm in a new community, life care community as Director of Nursing at Peconic Landing and I had come to my doorstep several seventy year old individuals living on Shelter Island who had relied on their investment income to stay in their housing and no longer could count on that and had to look for work in order to stay in their houses. And these are individuals who had prominent positions in their work life, but even they are in danger of losing their housing because of the way the market is and because of -- and the tax structure and not having any relief.

LEG. ALDEN:

So now are you saying the majority of them are people that had suffered because of reverses in the market, you think that's the majority of them?

MS. BUTLER:

I think there's -- that's just a small example of a growing I would think group of people who are going to be in that danger, on that danger list of losing affordable housing. Meaning affordable for them, meaning maintaining what they have. The six thousand that we're talking about are those individuals who are on the list for subsidized housing.

We had a presentation by Catholic Charities, Paul {Chetta} and that was the information that he passed along, they just can't even get approval for building the housing, much less to put it up quick enough to accommodate the needs of existing seniors to say nothing of what's coming with

the boomers.

LEG. ALDEN:

I think that every town is a little bit different on that, but one thing I think is pretty much consistent through all the towns, that the list is closed and has been for actually a couple of years, right?

MS. BUTLER:

Right.

LEG. ALDEN:

One of the things, what I'm trying to get at too is if these are seniors that are living with relatives or something like that, there's a possibility of one track to take and that might be to go forward with a proposition to some of the towns to legalize apartments for seniors, you know, not second income type of apartments, but to relax some of the restrictions and go forward with it in that regard, but I'm not sure if your survey is going to show like where most of these people are right now.

MS. WOLFORD:

It does delineate to a certain degree where we got the results from, one is a pie of the break out and the other is much more specific.

LEG. ALDEN:

Okay. If that gives the information where they're living now, whether it's with relatives or, you know, like --

MS. WOLFORD:

To a certain extent, it does.

LEG. ALDEN:

Okay. Good. And the second part is specifically what type of transportation do they need? From what I heard and from my district office, it's transportation to get to doctors' appointments, things of that nature. Is that what your survey indicates too?

MS. BUTLER:

Many of these seniors are socially isolated because the transportation that is available to them on a very limited basis is primarily for medical appointments, but not for shopping, not for

getting out and about. So another issue that we discussed with Ed Romaine was to look at minimizing the strip building of shopping centers and do more cluster building so that the seniors have the shopping, the medical pieces all available to them within a walking distance.

So really looking at, you know, multiple areas of being very creative for the upcoming impact of the aging baby boomers who are going to be in the same place.

LEG. ALDEN:

Some of it goes along with some of the work that we've done as far as our downtown revitalizations, and I think what we've been looking at is bringing more residences into the downtown area if it's appropriate in certain areas. And I think that's something that you were talking about, it would accomplish the same thing rather than new buildings being built in that fashion, if you can put some senior components in a downtown area.

And actually, Islip just did a bunch of these. So I'm not real familiar with what the other towns are doing, but they might want to look at what Islip has actually done with some of the revitalization and some of the projects they've done. I know on Smith Street there was a component, and that was senior citizen housing, and it's within walking distance of the Downtown Bay Shore area. Harwood Avenue in Islip and East Islip, that is, and that's within walking distance of a supermarket and pharmacy and things like in the East Islip area.

So, I'm not real familiar with what other towns have done, have you done a survey to find out what services are available in each different town?

MS. WOLFORD:

I just wanted to mention another issue with the transportation, it's just not the seniors having access to the transportation, it's the professional caregivers having access to transportation to get to some of the, you know, areas. They don't have public transportation, so, therefore, they can't get to the seniors to provide the services that they've been approved for also. That's another aspect of the transportation issue.

LEG. ALDEN:

Okay. Thanks.

MS. BUTLER:

I think in terms of your question, we're not at the point of really having done any kind of formalized study, but we want the Legislature, Legislative body to know that there is available to

them a large group of professionals who are very interested in these issues and we would like to work together to find creative ways of addressing it, especially in these difficult economic times. And there needs to be just new ways, new models to look at and we're here to work with you in trying to do that.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Legislator Carpenter.

LEG. CARPENTER:

You mentioned that over eleven percent of the population of Suffolk falls into the category of seniors, sixty-five and above. Do you have any idea what the number is if you used sixty as the cut off?

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Two hundred twenty-four now is the population in Suffolk over sixty.

LEG. CARPENTER:

Over sixty?

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Two hundred twenty-four thousand. And it's a hundred and sixty-seven thousand, roughly a hundred and sixty-seven thousand for over sixty-five.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

I don't know whether you ladies are familiar with, it's Holly Rhodes-Teague.

MS. BUTLER:

Yes.

MS. WOLFORD:

We know Holly.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay. Just in observation, and it might be something that would help your databank, the LIA with the Long Island Housing Partnership just did last year a needs assessment of how many units of affordable housing we're short in Suffolk County and the study revealed that we -- that

there's ninety-five thousand units needed. Not that those people are all homeless now, but just that they're spending more of their income for their housing needs than they should be. I mean there's people out there that are choosing housing over food.

And, you know, they don't reflect on the figures, the six thousand is probably the tip of the iceberg that you folks are talking about, you know, it's probably a great deal more than that.

MS. BUTLER:

The other issue is the {Olmstead} Act, which is a federal mandate to try to maintain people in their community. And because of the lack of affordable housing and because of the lack of home care services, more and more people are being forced into institutionalization and nursing homes prematurely because they just are so isolated and can't get the help they need.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Legislator Haley.

LEG. HALEY:

I'm looking and it's interesting to me, because I thought, I would have guessed that housing would have scored a little higher in this particular survey, sixteen percent where transportation was pretty high.

One of the problems I find in the global picture and I don't know if the LIA ever looked at it, because most times it just depends on what one person thinks over there and sometimes that drives the bus, there's a combination of problems. Number one is the ability for towns, even though they create what we call PRC's or retirement communities, sometimes don't meld that zoning in with the intent of that's written into some of the code with the developer.

In other words, what happens a lot of times is it's restricted to age fifty-five or older, but that's it. They're not taking the extra step in concerning themselves with the seniors' ability to live as independently as possible. Or if they do that, they're only thinking about those people at fifty-five to sixty years old, whereas the difference, the ability to live independently as possible changes dramatically from age sixty to age seventy and seventy-five.

So I see projects even in my own district where seniors are having a tough enough time getting by, but they don't have the basic quality of life on their site that's going to give them the ability to socialize.

MS. BUTLER:

Exactly.

LEG. HALEY:

You know, the clubhouse is a quarter of a mile or a half a mile away with no sidewalks. And you know what, that's okay if somebody is fifty-five or maybe, you can step it up a little bit, but, you know, somebody who is a little bit more aged is not going to be able to make it.

MS. BUTLER:

I have often gone into these senior communities as it became dusk and dark, if there was ever an emergency I can't imagine how you could access and find that person, the lighting is very -- and these are designated senior communities, the lighting is very poor. Again what you're talking about the sidewalks, the numbers on the apartments, very difficult to find them.

I mean I think even within the senior communities there are things that need to be done to provide that level of safety, especially in an emergency.

LEG. HALEY:

Socialization is real important. The senior groups in my district, I've gone out and actually facilitated the creation of tenant groups, you know, so that they can have an opportunity to meet, air their problems, socialize and stuff like that. But the problem is when we, from a planning perspective, and I'm doing it on, I'm trying to acquire seventy-five acres of fields for kids, but in the larger picture I'm looking at PRC because it's going to, on the surface it's going to provide some housing, which there's a demand for PRC, and it's going to resolve some of the issues for the school district as it relates to assessment, it doesn't generate children.

But I'm just thinking out loud now, you know, whose gone to the depth to say, well, is that really going to be a PRC that's going to be valuable.

To take it a step further in looking at the global issue, while I'm a proponent of not usurping the towns' ability to zone, what I'm concerned with is that we have a lot of narrow focuses on what we think is appropriate in the County of Suffolk. We narrowly focus on the environment, there isn't anyone here that wouldn't say they wouldn't, you know, want to protect the environment, but they're failing to remember that we're not making any more land and the more land we take off the tax rolls or the more land that's not available to develop, because we're still getting older

and the population is growing, we're in a practical sense making it extremely difficult for not only affordable housing for seniors, but affordable housing for anybody.

And, you know, as mentioned in an editorial in Newsday about affordable housing, and it's funny because I did affordable housing in Brookhaven in the 80's, and it's still a problem saying affordable housing, using that expression. Affordable senior housing to everybody is low income housing. Affordable housing to a family of four making sixty or seventy thousand dollars is still, you know, people still think it's low income housing, so at some point maybe we have to change that and call it medium income housing or something.

So unless we take an approach to not only -- I think if we take an approach in toto across from a planning perspective that includes the problem of housing in general, we're probably not going to resolve that issue for seniors.

The other thing is that in your task force, you don't want to usurp the towns' ability to zone. One of the tools that Brookhaven has, and I'm sure other towns have, is affordable housing. They have an accessory apartment ordinance, which I was Chairman of for a number of years and even modified it to make it a little bit more flexible for people who want to put apartments in their homes.

I have found that most times apartments and homes that are owner occupied work very well and that in and of itself can not only affect perhaps seniors who still want to live somewhat independently and still might be able to have transportation, but also would improve in general the housing stock in Suffolk County and especially in Brookhaven. It's worked and it's working well.

And, you know, when you start looking at the towns and you look at the options that they may have to create that type of housing, I think it would be important. But I also think you need to think about the larger picture of what some of the other actions of the towns and the County and the State may do for other large programs, it may have an economic impact.

One of the things we fail to do in the County of Suffolk is we keep passing legislation day in and day out and we don't have any substantial economic impact statement, all right, which I believe you passed years ago that requires it. All right, Legislator Carpenter.

And that is when we look at, we go -- we are spending a gazillion dollars, we have that environment maniac, Dick Amper, here telling us we're not buying enough land, but nobody is

looking at the larger picture and what kind of an impact that has for our ability to do housing which is probably more important than anything else.

I mean each and every one of us, you know, it's funny, my son is in the Army and he's coming home in two years, he's going to be twenty-five years old, he's over in Afghanistan, do you know what he's thinking about? Dad, where am I -- can I live with you? This is what he's saying to me, twenty-five years old, because he's not going to have an opportunity to afford to live on Long Island.

The problem has been going on since the 80's. All right? And it's almost as if things have to get a whole lot worse before they're going to have to get -- before we react to it.

LEG. CARPENTER:

They are worse.

LEG. HALEY:

They are worse. Because you know what's interesting, you said it, when I was involved with affordable housing, they said they could have used, in the 80's and the 90's too, they said we can use fifty thousand units, and we thought that everybody was raising the level of consciousness about affordable housing. Now you stated that they said it's ninety-five thousand, we're not resolving the problem.

I'm sorry for speaking so long, I just feel very strongly about it. You should see what I had to write to Newsday after I saw that editorial.

MS. BUTLER:

You had asked a question earlier on about where are these people living. Many of them are house rich/cash poor and they're living in homes, and I know when I was in home care going into some of the better neighborhoods in Bay Shore out of Southside Hospital, and you would think, you know, this is a Medicaid case, how can that be. Well, once you went into the home, you realized they couldn't maintain it any longer, there was no food in the refrigerator. They were socially isolated, medically frail and they have this home that they were really on the border of losing.

So it's not that there are families that our aging population are living with, many of them are alone, trying to, they're struggling, they're making choices every day whether they're going to

take their medicine, whether they're going to buy food, whether they're going to feed their pet, you know, and it's a growing, growing concern. And it could happen to any one of us, we know how fragile life is right now.

LEG. HALEY:

Mr. Chairman, I just want to clarify something. I don't have a problem being as verbose as Legislator Foley, but I just wanted for the record to know, I just want to make sure I'm not as liberal as Legislator Foley.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

I didn't say that.

LEG. HALEY:

Okay. I just wanted to make sure.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Legislator Alden.

LEG. ALDEN:

On this handout that you've prepared for us, the last page shows community. That means that fifty-two percent of the people that are sixty-five or above live in Brookhaven, is that a proper interpretation of that?

MS. WOLFORD:

Yes.

LEG. ALDEN:

Okay. Thanks.

LEG. HALEY:

Of the respondents.

LEG. ALDEN:

This was the respondents? Holly, do you have a break down?

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Of where all the seniors are?

LEG. ALDEN:

Yes.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Do you want me to send you copies?

LEG. ALDEN:

That would be good. Thank you.

LEG. CARPENTER:

I would like one too.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

That's fine.

LEG. ALDEN:

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Does the Committee have any other comments? Thank you very much, ladies.

MS. BUTLER:

We thank you very much. We do have some other materials about the Senior Umbrella Network which I'll be happy to leave with you.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

It would be a good thing, I know my Aide has your cards, but we'll try to keep you in the loop with anything that we have coming down the line on any of these issues.

MS. WOLFORD:

That would be wonderful.

MS. BUTLER:

We have a newsletter that goes to all of our members and certainly that would be an avenue to

put information into.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay. I think we'll do beauty before age. Come on up, Holly.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

I just had one comment on the legislation that you're looking at, the Intro Resolution 1191.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Yes.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

That resolution is to transfer the funds from Suffolk Community Council to RSVP. The Corporation for National Community Service is the sponsor of RSVP -- is not the sponsor, they're the agency that provides funding for RSVP and they are going out to an RFP that should be finished by the end of April, beginning of May. So, beginning July 1st, we don't know who the sponsor will be.

So at this time, RSVP is the current sponsor of the RSVP Program, just as Suffolk Community Council used to be. As of July 1st, we do not know who the next sponsor will be, so we may be doing this again in July. I just wanted to let everybody know.

LEG. HALEY:

It's okay for now?

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

It's okay for now.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

But we have to pass this --

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

In order for them to get their funding that they need to operate.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

This really has no cost to us, it's just a transfer of funds from one agency.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

It's the same funding that we have sitting in the budget now, it's just going to be transferred over to RSVP so that they can operate. And then come July 1st, depending on who the sponsor is, if it's RSVP, the way we've worded this reso we're done then, we don't have to worry about anything else. If they are not the sponsor, then we will have to switch it to the next one in order to make this work. Just so you know. Does that make any sense to anybody?

LEG. HALEY:

Yeah.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Yeah.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Okay.

LEG. HALEY:

Believe it or not.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

It doesn't cost us any money, any more money?

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Okay. No more money.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Anybody have anything for me?

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Anything else going on, nothing?

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Still waiting for the State budget to be resolved. It's not looking good up there as you all know, so we're holding our breath.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay. Anybody have any questions for Holly? Thanks, Holly.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

I'll send the information on the -- my stats are for over sixty. Do you need over sixty-five as well or is over sixty good enough?

LEG. ALDEN:

Over sixty is fine.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Okay. Because I have the breakdown by towns.

LEG. ALDEN:

Good.

MS. RHODES-TEAGUE:

Okay.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Okay. Art.

MR. LOZEAU:

Art Lozeau, Veterans Services Agency Director. I only want to support the Sense Resolution. I get a few calls about the veterans' exemptions where they're saying it's going down. This obviously is a correction method in the Sense Resolution, the New York State asking them that that equalization rate, when that goes down because of property values going up, the veterans' exemption becomes less dollar value. So, this should fix that to where equalization rates and market values will settle out.

The only other thing coming up for veterans in the form of a ceremony is on May 17th is the salute to World War II Veterans and you'll each be getting an individual letter. That's 11:00 A.M. at Armed Forces Plaza. Inclement weather, it will go in the main lobby of the Dennison Building.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Legislator Haley, you have a question?

LEG. HALEY:

I was at a senior center thing yesterday and a woman wanted to know I guess in the past, maybe it was WWII, I don't know, they had a flag that was in a window, but it looked like it had stars, it was a little bit different than just an American flag in a window. Do you recall what they used to put in the window? She just wanted to know where to get it.

MR. LOZEAU:

There is the gold star would be when a family member was lost, a son usually.

LEG. ALDEN:

A blue star was somebody serving.

MR. LOZEAU:

Then a blue star is somebody serving.

LEG. HALEY:

How would a blue star be represented, just a blue star?

MR. LOZEAU:

I don't really know. I know the American Legion has an active program of doing that, I don't know about other organizations. I don't have the specifics of it, but I can find something that gives a background of it.

LEG. HALEY:

I'm just curious. I'd like to know for myself, because I'll put up a blue star.

MR. LOZEAU:

There are various programs even now to put the flag of some sort in the window showing that you're supporting the war on terror and so forth. I have nothing that I'm aware of in the County that is going on. There's a counter argument to it in the war on terror, is that if you have terrorists among you and you're putting something on your window, you become a target.

LEG. HALEY:

I only have one thing to say to them, go ahead, make my day.

MR. LOZEAU:

Well, Okay. That's not the most pleasant subject, but that's what it is. But I will get the material.

LEG. HALEY:

I'm just curious, I'd like to pass it on to her, I'd like to know for myself.

MR. LOZEAU:

Okay.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Anybody have anything else for, Art? Thanks, Art.

MR. LOZEAU:

Thank you.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Anybody else on the Committee, any other comments? If not, we stand adjourned. Wait, we didn't do the agenda.

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INTRODUCTORY RESOLUTION

1191-03. Amending the 2003 Adopted Operating Budget and transferring funds within the Suffolk County Office of the Aging.

LEG. HALEY:

Motion on 1191.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Do I have a second?

LEG. ALDEN:

Second.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

All in favor? Passed.

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SENSE RESOLUTION

Sense 18-2003. "Memorializing resolution requesting State of New York to maintain magnitude of veterans exemption."

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

And the Sense Resolution, we have a request from the sponsor to table it. I don't know whether he's revising it.

MR. PEARSALL:

He's making some corrections.

LEG. HALEY:

Motion.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Motion to table.

LEG. ALDEN:

Second.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY:

Second. All in favor? Okay. Now we stand adjourned.

(THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:00 A.M.)

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