TOWN OF NORTH EAST
JOINT TOWN BOARD AND VILLAGE BOARD
WORKSHOP MEETING
APRIL 9, 2014

Town Board Members Present:	**Village Board Members Present:**
Supervisor John Merwin	Mayor Marty Markonic
Councilman George Kaye	Trustee Debra Middlebrook
Councilman James Campbell	Trustee Christine Bates
Councilman Ralph Fedele	Trustee Robert Cooper
Councilman Steven Merwin	Trustee David Sherman

Call to Order:

Supervisor Merwin called the Workshop meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Town Board and Village Board met for their second quarterly meeting of 2014 to discuss issues that may be affecting both municipalities.

The boards discussed the recreation and police contracts. Currently both contracts are multi-year contracts. The recreation contract is multi-year contract that is signed annually. Supervisor Merwin asked who formulates the contracts. Mayor Markonic said that they are drafted by the Village Attorney. Mr. Merwin suggested that they talk about the contracts in August when the Town is getting ready to do their budget preparations. The boards further discussed these options.

Supervisor Merwin asked if the Village Board was interested in a year round recreation program that would include the Town of North East and the Town of Amenia. Mr. Merwin said that this was an item that was discussed about a decade ago with both the Village and the Town of Amenia with the Town and that it just did not progress any further. Both boards were agreeable to further discussion of this item.

Trustee Middlebrook asked about working together to get more jobs in the area. Trustee Sherman suggested talking to Dutchess County Development Corp. Trustee Cooper suggested expanding the proposed Irondale Overlay district to allow for more businesses in that area of town. Trustee Sherman suggested looking into to rezoning some areas.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50PM was made by Marty Markonic, seconded by John Merwin and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Cope

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Town Clerk

Approved: May 8, 2014