Ridgefield Parking Authority Special Meeting Minutes June 9, 2016

The Parking Authority meeting was called to order on June 9, 2016 at 8:40 A.M.

Members present were Chairman Chris Fusaro, Richard Moccia, Jessica Wiltmot. Also in attendance was prospective new member Robert Murphy and staff member Laurie Fernandez.

Chairman Fusaro proposed the following resolution as the official Mission statement of the Parking Authority. "The Parking Authority shall maintain and uphold the parking rules and regulations for the Town of Ridgefield with professionalism and courtesy while being attentive to the needs of the community." Mr. Moccia made the motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Ms. Wilmot, approved unanimously.

A general discussion was held about the Chirp concerts, and the concerns of the merchants with the loss of parking, it was also expressed that the Concerts were a valuable asset to the Town of Ridgefield. In line with that, Ms. Wilmot has arranged for a meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 15, at 8:30 A.M. in the large meeting room a City Hall for a general discussion on the parking issues. Those invited were the Merchants, Chirp organizers, Selectman, and the general public.

Mr. Moccia as lithe liaison with Main Street task Force reported that there had been a meeting on June 7 in which representatives from Darien and New Canaan gave information and ideas that had helped reinvigorate their Main Streets.

Mrs. Fernandez reported that the Authority was investigating new technology for use in enforcement; she also reported that they were vetting a person for an enforcement position.

A general discussion was held on possible new locations for additional parking as well as the pros and cons a of a parking structure, members of the public in attendance Bob and Lorie Leavitt gave some possible locations for a parking structure as well as their views on parking in general.

Mr. Moccia requested that the members be provided with business cards which would help when visiting business to discuss parking. Mrs. Fernandez suggested that town IDs should also be provided, and arrangements were made for members to secure those IDs. Mrs. Fernandez will arrange for the printing of the cards.

There being no further business, Mr. Moccia made the motion to adjourn at 9:50, seconded by Ms. Wilmot, unanimously approved.

Dick Moccia