

Woodbury Community Pool Forum Session - May 13th, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

Present: Town Supervisor Frank Palermo; Councilwoman Jacqueline Hernandez; Councilmen Tom Burke, Tyler Etzel, Bob Hunter; Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk; Joey Gianzero, Working Supervisor Parks; Brad Cassity, Groundskeeper; Clara Rivera, Account Clerk; Parks Committee Members - Willa Freiband, John Smith, Denice da Cunha, Mary Porcu, Sue Lynch; Pool Engineer, John Petroccione; Town Engineer, Al Fusco

Various Woodbury Town Residents joined the session - meeting total count of 43.

Introduction & Presentation by Deputy Supervisor, Jacqueline Hernandez

Power point presenting history of the pool, focusing on community engagement, why the Town is moving forward with the pool discussion, cost implications, pool options; culminated with the Panel Q & A.

Q & A Portion of Forum

1. Question from Michael - Will the notes summarized from this session get posted onto the Town Website before Saturday's session?
 - a. Response - Clara will compile Q&A take a way's on the town website.
2. Question from Dennis Rocks - What is the big pile of fill at the far end of the Pond now?
 - a. Response: Supervisor Frank Palermo - that pile was accumulated from the project over at exit 131. They gave it to the town for free. It is clean fill and it will be used to fill in the portion of the pool that is not being constructed.
3. Question from Patrick Brown - What is the length of the racing lanes?
 - a. Response: Supervisor Frank Palermo - they are not racing lanes. People will be able to swim laps. All depends on size of the pool and it will vary. It will be 4 ft. in that area, will not be swimming lanes all the time. It will alternate. Believes the size of a Jr. Olympic sized pool lanes. Brad stated.
 - b. Councilwoman Hernandez - We can get those additional details; please provide email for follow up.
4. Question from Dennis Rocks - Why are both poles situated so far from the guard room?
 - a. Response: Supervisor Frank Palermo - the guard room is going to be moved. Guard room will be situated closer to the pool. Try to visualize -

When you come into pool, turn right and go into the corner and that is where the new guard house, being built, will be situated. The guard house will be newly built.

5. Recommendation from Kirsten Perino - The pool should be central to the lawn area.
 - a. Response: Supervisor Frank Palermo - It is a recommendation and not a question. The pool needs to be close to the pump house. It is on the lawn. Not sure what else to state.
 - b. Councilwoman Hernandez states - please follow up with your email for any further questions and details you may need.

6. Question from Cindy Lutz - For each design can you please share the water depth in each section of the pool? For example, how much of the pool design number 4 is between 3 to 5 feet deep? It appears that most of it is wading depth only. Most of the swimmers use the area "between the ropes" - not the shallowest, not the deepest. Thank you!
 - a. Response: Supervisor Palermo in # 4 is mostly wading. Will gradually go out and we will provide ropes separating the depth. Diving area min of 12 feet. Where the lap lanes are min of 4 feet and then will go out to the deep end.

7. Question from Kirsten Perino - What happened to the "no tax impact" for the homeowners?
 - a. Response: Supervisor Frank Palermo - it depends on which pool option is taken. The way the budget has been arranged this year 2020 if we pick the smallest pool there will be no tax increase. If the public picks the larger pool or the medium sized pool, there probably will be some tax increases.

8. Councilwoman Hernandez - able to get John P (Pool Engineer) on the speaker. He is available to answer questions. Anything you can add on to questions already presented?
 - a. John P. Pool Engineer - Length of the lanes varies between alternates; some are 75 feet US standard and 82 feet which is the international standard.
 - b. All the pools start at 0 feet, when get to the squared off part portion of the pool its 4 feet deep. In front of diving boards, it is 12 feet deep, the deepest portion; where the boards are, we gradually increase to 5 feet at the other corner of the pool and it gradually changes in depth to 4 ft.

9. Question from Dennis Rocks - What additional infrastructure improvements will accompany the new pool? Bathrooms, ADA access, lighting, security, broken down bandstand?

- a. Response: Supervisor Frank Palermo - the bond is strictly for the pool. It requires ADA access. As far as the bathroom and additional accessories, that will probably come out of the Parks budget. Bond is strictly for the pool.
- b. Councilwoman Hernandez - parks committee discussed the importance of ADA access, the bathrooms, and the entry to the pool. All these topics are on the survey. The \$3.5 million is for the pool bond only.
 - i. Please know on the survey you have the option to give your opinion, recommendations and we are looking for that information from you by completing this survey.

10. Question from Dennis Rocks - Has budgeting considered upkeep and maintenance of the new facility?

- a. Response - Supervisor Palermo - yes, it will be a lot lower. The upkeep will be fulfilled by our department Buildings & Grounds.
- b. Expenses for pool will be much less. The much smaller pool won't need as much energy. Can alternate usage of the pumps two at a time vs. using all 3 and will make them last even longer. Less lifeguards overall will result in less costs. All and all we expect the expense of the pool to go down.

11. Question from Dennis Rocks - How will the construction oversight be different this time around?

- a. Response - Supervisor Palermo - we are hiring a pool engineer this time as opposed to the last time when only the town engineer was used, and they were not there that often. The flooring base when originally built should have been 3 inches, this was the requirement and when taken apart now, we have found that it was only 1 inch at best.
- b. Expect the oversight of this new pool construction to come from both the Pool Engineer and the Town Engineer. Together they will work to oversee the construction.
- c. John PE added- will also have Orange County involved since it is a brand-new construction.

12. Clarification on how questions are being broached took place. Councilwoman Hernandez provided clarification - to view and ask questions, the user needs to utilize the chat box that appears at the upper right-hand corner.



This is the chat box where questions can be entered for the panel.

13. Patrick Brown thanked the panel for providing the opportunity to hear and ask.

14. Question from Mary Ott - What is the purpose of the “mushrooms”, other than providing something for the kids to climb on to and jump off from.

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - kids will not climb up and jump off. They are very tall. It is there to keep the water moving, flowing. It helps to provide flow, like having a fountain at a pond.
- b. Rather than having the showers we have the mushrooms.
- c. Children love the mushrooms and have fun under them.
- d. Councilwoman Hernandez - currently we have the mushrooms at the pool today and residents want to make sure they are repurposed at the future pool. So, we are clear - we are keeping the mushrooms and they will be utilized go forward.

15. Maria Hunter - states confirming the layout of pool incorporates current location of pump house which Frank stated earlier.

16. Question from Dennis Rocks - Do the tax impact demonstrations consider other park needs related to both the pool infrastructure and other needs that are not related and have been waiting? How does the Town Board view staffing levels for upkeep and maintenance?

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - Building and Grounds are responsible for the staffing, work 7 days a week in the summer and do what they need to do to maintain the property accordingly.
- b. Bond does not include the accessory portion at the pool site. The bond is only for the pool. The other items would come from the budget and some of them have been addressed.
- c. Expect expenses to go down with the pool.

17. Question from Steven Gargano: Can some of the lawn be used as “blue space” - waterslide, splash pad, fountains, etc.?

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - no, to put a splash pad in it is very expensive, both from a construction and insurance perspective. John can attest to the construction piece.
- b. Leaving the green space will allow the people to lay down and bring lounge chairs.
- c. Number one priority is for the pool to go in.

18. Question from Valerie Hebel: Why the shape? Will there be the ability to swim laps?

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo answered there will be a section to cordon off a section for laps. We will meet with the Parks Committee to take care of a time where you can do laps.
 - i. Options to do this early in the day and later in the evening. Yes, there will be laps there.
- b. Councilwoman Hernandez - the initial shape the first proposal given to us by the pool engineer was in this shape. Took the approach not to disrupt so much of the initial work performed by the engineer.
- c. What she did was increase the width of the fan - it ended up looking like a mushroom. No real reason for it; just working off the initial plan to minimize too many changes that the original pool offered which had been designed.
- d. Supervisor Palermo stated - John presented it and the Town Board liked it. He came up with a very nice idea.
- e. The third and fourth were really working off the initial design.

19. Question from Christopher Perino: Where is the added dirt from and has it been tested?

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - I already answered that question.
 - i. Please refer to response #2a.

20. Statement from Susan Lynch: Looks like 92'.

- a. Response from Brad - she is referring to swimming lanes.

21. Question from Steven Gargano: Wouldn't it be easier to just design the pool the way it is and just "fill" in the areas that are not used?

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - not really. We must take everything out of there and are not using the same materials; I do not know if that would work. Let John speak further.
- b. John P. Pool Engineer - if he means as far as the land area- that is what we are intending do and put the new pool in half of the existing pool area.
 - i. If he means to modify the existing pool and fill the back of the half of the pool this course of action would not correct any of the deficiencies/issues we were having in the first place. Would not fix any of the problems .
 - ii. Jackie Hernandez stated- any follow up questions please ask.

22. Question from Kirsten Perino - Why is the pool all the way to the left? Really, it seems as if you are leaving room for something "else". What are you making room for?

- a. Response: John P. Pool Engineer - engineering wise I prefer to keep the pool to the left. As close as possible to the existing mechanical room. The closer we are to the mechanical room the more efficiently the mechanics

can work. We can reduce energy costs, equipment size and provide a cleaner pool.

- b. Supervisor responds to second question regarding making room for something - states your guess is as good as his. Not making room for anything. Let us move on. There is no plan for anything - just building a pool.
23. Suggestion from Willa Freiband - for Jackie to show the pool slides as questions are broached regarding each pool. Jackie begins to move in between the pools.
24. Suggestion from Susan Lynch - If you zoom in on the plans posted on the website the depths and measurements are readable for each pool. Just informational.
25. Question from Joe (resident) - What has been the average amount of visitors per weekend over the last few summers? Is there a risk if more people want to go to the pool with less swim area available?
- a. Jackie Hernandez - directed the question to Joey Gianzero or Brad.
 - i. Brad states he does not have the numbers. Joey needs to answer.
 - b. Supervisor Palermo - can explain, during the very hottest days of the year, high 90's we average about 600 people that go to the pool. Not everyone goes into the pool. That is the number that comes throughout the entire day.
 - i. Our average is a little over 200 people during the week and this is spread out from 12:00 to about 8:00 PM when it closes.
 - ii. It is his experience, from always visiting the pool, 90% of the time the pool is sparsely used. Particularly by adults that just go in for a few moments and get out quickly.
 - iii. It does vary, either of the three sizes will accommodate the quantity of people we will have at the pool.
 - iv. Granted if there is a day where there are 600 people it will be a little tighter.
 - v. Joe trying to get on the line - technical difficulties.
 - c. John Pool Engineer starts to cover maximum capacity of the pools. The smallest pool max of 715, medium pool max 901 and larger pool max is 1262.
 - i. These numbers do not account for people outside the pool area.
26. Question from Christopher Perino - Why are the pools placed where you show them on the property? Why hasn't it been placed in the center of the property?
- a. This was answered already - refer to #22a response.
 - b. Written response from Steven Gargano - the pools are placed near the pump house to circulate the water. (submitted via the chat box)

27. Statement from Kirsten Perino - No, these plans only include tax increase.
- a. Question was answered earlier on by Supervisor Palermo in #7a.
28. Question from Joe - Has the current state of social distancing been discussed when it comes to overcrowding if the pool is smaller?
- a. Supervisor Palermo - no idea if there will be any social distancing next year; pool not opening this year. God willing there will be no coronavirus next year.
29. Question from Kirsten Perino - How are you accommodating our Hasidic neighbors? Kirsten adds a clarification later stating - "I'm talking about the Hassidic neighbors that pay taxes in our community."
- a. Response from Supervisor Palermo - we are not. The question is not appropriate. Not sure what she is talking about; is she talking about KJ, talking about people who are Hasidic and pay taxes, they are more than welcome to come since they pay taxes.
 - i. Saw something stated on social media about this question - we are not doing anything different.
 - ii. John P - there are separate Hasidic requirements set by their religion. There will not be any specific accommodations made for Hasidic residents. If they pay their taxes and live in town, they are welcome to come to the pool as is.
 - iii. Frank states this is exactly what he was stating. We are not putting in a policy that will segregate the pool.
30. Statement from Cindy Lutz - Thank you for the clarification about the pool depth! Please note that it will be difficult to rope off a semicircle to mark the 3+ foot area on the 4th pool option to keep the little ones safe and let the big kids have room to play. Ropes work from point to point, but do not make curves easily.
- a. Councilwoman Hernandez - good point. Something to consider.
31. Question from Christopher Perino - Where is the additional money coming from for the additional work needed? Did you shop around for a cheaper price for the pool?
- a. Response: Councilwoman Hernandez - we have not shopped at all with regards to the construction of the pool. Of course, we need a bond approved first then can get bids.
 - b. The bond is based on what the pool is going to cost from the Pool Engineers' experience in determining pool costs.
 - c. Regarding the additional work, the bond only accounts for the pool options. As stated in prior question # 9a and 9b.

- d. If there are additional items that need to be addressed, they will be addressed through our original budget.
32. Question from Joe - Has there been any discussion around raising fees for park passes to assist with funding for facility improvements?
- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo in 2020 budget there is no increase. When we get to 2021 there may be a slight increase - \$1 or \$2.
33. Question from Christopher Perino - Have you done core bore testing on the ground and/or soil compaction testing?
- a. Response: John P Pool Engineer - we did select locations. I do not know if the work has been fully completed yet. If it has not, it will be completed.
 - i. Follow up action on testing.
34. Statement from Mary Ott - in the drawing of the pools there is no information about the mushrooms being water - they looked like concrete swim up bar tables.
- a. Goes onto apologize for her earlier question; however, it was a solid question and provided clarification on why the mushrooms are placed at the pool.
35. Question from Christopher Graziano - Considering the current economic climate as a result of the pandemic, aren't you concerned that asking people to make a choice on any potential tax increase now could lead to a choice the community may regret 2 or 3 years from now? For example, without the economic issues, the best choice may be the larger or medium pool, but with people genuinely worried about putting food on their table right now, they may fill out the survey based on that perspective.
- a. Response: Councilwoman Hernandez - the entire board has weighed in on this significantly. We are extremely conscious of the fact that many businesses, including board members themselves that have small businesses, are being impacted by this economic pandemic. Unfortunately, we do not know what tomorrow, summer, or even what September is going to bring. All people need to decide/vote conservatively or not. We do not even know what the state is going to be faced with come next year. I believe will need to vote with what they feel best, whether it is now or 6 months from now; the economic impact is still going to be the same. From my perspective, while people are home, if they could use this time to contemplate and discuss the pool when they are not rushing from work, etc. I believe this is a good time to think this through.
 - b. Opened to the TB members.

36. Statement from Cindy Lutz - Our kids love the mushrooms. I just want to be sure they are spaced far enough apart that our awesome lifeguards can have clear line-of-sight to watch everyone in the water safely. Thank you!
- Councilwoman Hernandez responds - Absolutely. Very good point.
 - Response: Supervisor Palermo - the lifeguards stands will be able to get repositioned. Unlike the ones we have now. They will not be placed in a place that is obstructed by the mushrooms. They are adjustable, movable.
 - In the third and fourth options they were spread out a bit more. The bigger the pool the greater ability to spread the mushrooms.
37. Question from Amidee Tebo Haviland - to be clear is this project completely starting from scratch, if so, why aren't we using as much of the infrastructure as possible? Again, to be clear is the filter pump house being completely redone or are we using existing equipment?
- Response - John Pool Engineer - under the initial plan option #1 there would be very minimal work to the filter room. Would utilize everything in it, since it is state of the art equipment, very good equipment. Work would be limited 99% to the exterior. As the pools get bigger, #3 & #4, the filtration systems would need to expand.
 - Pool #4 would need additional filter equipment - the existing capacities would not be enough to filter the water in performance with current health department regulations to supply the water features.
 - #3 would require some modifications but nothing substantial.
 - We have intentions of using all the equipment - question pertains to how much would need to be added.
38. Patrick Brown (via the chat bubbles) offered some clarification to Kirsten Perino on how to identify when someone is speaking.
- When someone speaks their box becomes highlighted with a white border.
39. Brad Cassity Groundskeeper - states the pump room is not being redone.
- They will be using the same equipment.
 - Refer to John's response for question #37a through 37d.
40. Question from Amidee Tebo Haviland - Pool #4 is said to be the same square footage as the current pool. True or false.
- False.
 - It's not the same sq. ft. of the current pool, it is roughly based to the sq. ft. that has been approved, by the health department, to currently coincide with the portion of the existing pool that gets utilized. The area that is roped off is roughly about the same sq. ft. of pool # 4.
 - Brad - pool 4 is slightly smaller to what we use now. More than half the pool cannot be utilized. You cannot compare the new one with the current pool it will not add up when looking at sq. ft. numbers.

41. Question from Dennis Rocks - Has the "pool comprehensive plan" for all related infrastructure considered parking? Will guards continue to drive down the hill and park at the far end of the pond?
- Councilwoman Hernandez - question to be deferred to Al Fusco. Not currently on the call.
 - Response: Supervisor Palermo - there are no plans currently to expand the parking area. Where we will expand parking is the handicap area.
 - As far as how far away the guards need to park, we really have not discussed that topic yet.
 - Second part of question, - Joey are you on? Supervisor Palermo states we really have not discussed this right now. Request email for further follow up.
42. Question from Kirsten Perino for Maria Hunter - Where is the soil coming from?
- Maria Hunter responds soil is from exit 131 project. Soil was delivered to numerous locations around the area.
 - Also refer to question # 2a where Supervisor Palermo answers and 33a where John answers this question.
 - Supervisor Palermo - The DEC approved the entire project at exit 131. It has been done and let us move on.
43. Statement from Steven Gargano to John P. Pool Engineer - John, I understand we need to start from scratch on the pool, however, I think it would be easier for everyone to visualize if when we built the new pool it was still in the same footprint, but the unused areas would just be grass area.
- Response: Councilwoman Hernandez this is what is being done. The same area where the pool is currently, is where the new one will be built, and the remaining portion will be filled and used as grass area.
44. Question from Amidee Tebo Haviland - Will any of the designs meeting current peak requirement the swimming facility has experienced in the past. Those numbers should be available from Park & Recs.
- Response: Councilwoman - do not know if Joey is on; however, Brad can answer the question.
 - Brad Cassity - For the peak numbers it will be a little compressed for people. However, predominantly, on an average day, do not see it will be an issue.
 - Have those days with 300 to 400 people it will be a little tight.
 - Councilwoman Hernandez - to continue to answer the question, we know the bigger the pool, less concern will exist for space.

45. Question from Christopher Graziano - Why does it say 238 bathers on the survey if it is over 700?

- a. Response: Councilwoman Hernandez - that number of 238 bathers we obtained from Joey. Engineer provided a number that allows a maximum capacity. When we worked with the Health Department and to ensure proper lifeguard coverage, in addition to minimizing risk the lower number speaks to appropriate bathing pool capacity.
- b. When we did this comparison, we used the Health Departments current usage of the roped off section of the pool today. How many people fit vs. what is allowed in the pool based on sq. ft. from the Health Dept. Goes back to a question proposed last year.

46. Statement from Steven Gargano - Example # 4 would have the wading area where it currently is, and the diving area is where it currently is (rotate the current design 270 degrees).

- a. Response from John Pool Engineer: I understand what he is saying and yes, he is correct. We show the pool rotated. The alternates as originally developed all would have had the diving section in the current diving area. The wading area in the current wading area. At previous meetings we received questions asking whether we can rotate the pool. I know when Al went to get the concepts drawn, he asked the renderer to post some different rotations. In response to those previous questions to what would happen if we did rotate the pool.

47. Statement from Amidee Tebo Haviland - I disagree with the numbers given. Why hasn't that number been made with the current design?

- a. Councilwoman Hernandez requested if Amidee could give more clarity.
- b. Brad Cassity - the totals will be dependent by what the health department says. We know there are different numbers; we were working on giving out some projections. Kind of a worst case scenario on what the numbers could be. But those numbers could be higher.
- c. John Pool Engineer - the numbers on the plan as far as proposed bather count, that's as far as what NYS Health Code will allow.
- d. Requested John repeat the numbers again:
 - i. Option 1 - 715 max
 - ii. Option 3 - 901 max
 - iii. Option 4 - 1,267 max
 - iv. Nothing is approved not submitted to the health department yet, it is according to their rules. That is where these numbers came from.

48. Question from Cindy Lutz- John, the plans show max bathers as 238 for #1, 277 bathers for #3, and 430 bathers for # 4, but you stated higher numbers when answering the question about numbers of swimmers. Can you please confirm?

- a. Bathers question relating to number counts per pool has been addressed by Brad and John.
 - b. Response: John - there may have been a plan of numbers that were circulated, but none of the numbers are familiar to me.
 - c. Councilwoman Hernandez - the numbers that we are showing reflect follow up with Joey. The numbers correlate to the current area that is roped off in our existing pool and it is similar to pool #4.
 - i. Joey gave us an estimate of the number of bathers that OC Health Dept. allows in that area. Which was roughly over 400 people. He was saying that although the pool was big and could accommodate a lot of people, the OCHD had a different formula and what we did was work on creating a formula that could be applied to each of the new pool options sq. ft. Ultimately, generating the bather's number for each pool being proposed for review.
 - d. John Pool Engineer - the numbers quoted are OCDH numbers. I believe what you are explaining is the numbers generated tie back to density expectations that correlate to the pool you have now. Then you took that relationship and applied it to the future sizes. Councilwoman is stating Joey can explain it more.
 - e. Comment stated first pass of numbers were completed a while ago, information/data points have evolved. Joey then proceeded to send a text to Councilwoman Hernandez and Joey confirms the number derived are tied back to the Safety Plan for that pool which was at 430.
 - f. Tyler Etzel - are your numbers referring the number of people we can let into the park? John - it is the number of people NYS and OC state you can have at any given time.
 - g. Supervisor Palermo requested we move on.
49. Question from Tara Burek - Being that the current pool is built on a natural spring, what guarantees are being provided that the materials being used to build this pool will be able to withstand the elements over the years? Do the costs provided account for any cushion should there be any surprises once construction starts?
- a. Response: John Pool Engineer- I have been working with Al Fusco the Town Engineer and the construction plans for the new pool, regardless of which one is selected, would incorporate a perimeter drench drain all around it. That drain would go down several feet into the earth and it would be provided with an outlet to daylight ,which would alleviate the ground water that accumulates in this area. Ultimately, would eliminate pressure on the pool and that would make sure that the structural integrity is not compromised by those conditions.
 - i. As far as construction allowances, for unknowns, these are not detailed, itemized costs estimate that we put together for the project; we have not gotten that far in the project yet. They are based on projects of similar size; and yes, they did have some

construction problems and there is some contingency factor built in there.

50. Question from Kirsten Perino - Why not explain the tax increase?

a. Repetitive question- please refer to response number 7a.

51. Question from Amidee Tebo Haviland - What is the warranty being bandied about for this construction? Will the bid be out "on the street" longer than we normally use, such as 4 weeks instead of the 1 or 2 weeks? Will the specifications be available for viewing prior to the bid going out?

a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - we stated we are going to put it out to bid for a period of three to four weeks. As far as the warranty, it depends on the warranty of the company that will build the pool and we do not know that yet.

52. Question from Valerie Hebel - In the survey, it was mentioned putting a slide - whether to include that - but no price is mentioned. Is there a price for that?

a. Response: John Pool Engineer - we did discuss the possibility of a slide. I have not seen the survey, but we did consider one and we have left a section where one can be placed in the future. It could be incorporated in this round. Numbers for a slide, it really depends on the choice of the slide. There is an enormous range on pricing of slides.

53. Question from Kirsten Perino - Why is option #4 so much higher per square footage compared to option #1? Shouldn't the cost be going down with a larger sq. ft. pool?

a. Response: John Pool Engineer - cost is pretty much uniform per square footage. There is not a volume decrease as the size gets larger. # 4 is proportionally larger because the mechanical equipment would no longer be adequate for this option. There would be substantial additional costs in expansion of filtration and pumping capacity.

54. Question from Christopher Perino - What is your contingency budget for the many issues you are going to run into with this project?

a. Supervisor Palermo can you answer - it is either John or AI who would answer since they are putting together the costs. They would know what contingency is being factored.

b. John Pool Engineer - Typically allow for about 10%.

55. Statement from Amidee Tebo Haviland - Existing capacity meets state requirements on the current pool. The pool is being roped off due to personnel shortages.

- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - we do not expect personnel shortages. We get quite a few lifeguards in there. If there is, we would have roped off areas if necessary. If we have a problem with shortages, we probably will not open the pool for that day.

56. Question from Joe - What are typical warranties for construction coverage on a project this size that will protect the town if we face any similar issues in the next 3, 5, 10 years?

- a. Response: John Pool Engineer there are not typical warranties for projects this size. It would be negotiated as part of your contract.
- b. Councilwoman Hernandez states - keynote to make and remember for when we are working on the contract.

57. Question from Christopher Perino - Ask the engineer if the pool can be placed in the center of the property?

- a. Response: John Pool Engineer- it can be placed in the center of the property. The reason we are trying to maintain the location of the pool is to minimize earth work. Anywhere we are going to build a shallow area of a pool, if there is currently a deeper excavation, that means it all must be backed filled in compacted lifts; to assure containment capacity to hold the pool. Substantial areas of excavation, for example in your diving wells, where we will be required to do a substantial amount of back fill. Then there will be additional excavation in areas where they are not excavated at all. So really, it was about trying to decrease the amount of earth work necessary.

58. Susan Lynch is asking - Why is there such a difference in the numbers as it relates to the bathers vs. Pool Engineer numbers. It is surprising to me that this very scientific calculation differs so much between what is being presented and is actual. Capacity makes a huge difference. The formula I have looked at is dependent on depth and surface area. These differences are more than 60% apart. These questions of capacity should not be brushed off and left on the table. A true capacity number must be determined. When can this be researched and clarified?

- a. Councilman Tom Burke - reference to the numbers given. We can get better clarification from Joe. We must keep in mind the safety component, the number of lifeguards on the chair. This plays a big part on the number of swimmers we can have in either pool, or the true capacity from a safety perspective, that we can have in any given pool. Goes back to the lifeguard coverage that we could have. We do not have the capacity to have 1200 people in pool 4 with the number of lifeguards. Joey can clarify further.

- b. Councilwoman Hernandez - it goes back to the safety plan component. Confirming what Tom is stating in his clarification. John gives us the accurate number that can be in the pool and our number speaks to the safety capacity that we can have in the pool based on the number of lifeguards we can supply. Based on our ability to keep the people in our pool safe. The numbers we can sustain in our safety plan.

59. Question from Christopher Perino - Our present pool is bigger than all the new pools presented here. Why would we need to add to the pump station for pool #4 if this pool is smaller than what we currently have?

- a. Response: John P Pool Engineer - you are correct. Existing pool is bigger than any other options we have proposed. When you got your last approval, it was for a renovation of a facility that has been here forever. When you are going for rehabilitation, there is a lot more forgiveness or leeway. In building a new pool there is no leeway. There is just a requirement to comply with the current code and what that code requires. That is why we would have additional requirements for filtration rate and the need for additional equipment.

60. Question from Beth Zoumas - Why spend money to make a bigger pool if we will not be able to use it for the size it was intended?

- a. Response Sup Palermo - we will build a size pool according to what the people of the town wish to do. If you do not feel we need a bigger pool, it is up to you to tell us what you want. We are leaving it up to the community to decide. I urge you to vote for the smaller pool if that is what you wish.
- b. Councilwoman Hernandez - What we want to do is point out as an example pool number 4 is very close to our current pool. We are trying to provide options and we stopped at # 4 because it is closest to the capacity of our current pool.

61. Question from Christopher Graziano - I fully understand the communication aspects surrounding people being "home". However, that has nothing to do with the economic question I posed, which has the possibility to be a very real constraint for many in our community. Is the objective to convince the residents to select the cheaper option, therefore validating the design as originally proposed last year?

- a. Response: Councilwoman Hernandez the proposal we provided was one the Supervisor believed would have minimal impact to our constituents tax levels; little to no impact. When we had the community forum last year, residents were asking for options. They believed that the option that was presented was too small. The board decided to show additional, larger options because the residents stated they wanted more options.

- b. We proposed more realistic options. We took the largest pool option to mimic capacity that was closest to what we have today. This being option #4. Then we provided a midway option, #3. Thus, providing two additional options for the residents.
- c. At the meeting last year, we told the public a larger pool would result in costing more money and, consequently, more taxes. That was already addressed and we were told to proceed. This is what we are doing right now.
- d. Supervisor Palermo - to be perfectly honest with you Chris, we did exactly as you stated, giving the people more options to select from. Giving them a choice. We are basically following your suggestion.
- e. Councilman Tom Burke - for everybody in the community knows we have always had two parks in this community. We are in the process of working on bringing back the pool. We had one option and since the community requested additional options, this is where we are at. The Town Board looks forward to the day we are all back; stronger and better.
- f. Councilwoman Hernandez - the Town Board has pulled away from giving any opinion on any pool. We have placed this in the hands of the community. Which is why we have been pushing so hard for the community to complete the survey. It is so important for the community to complete the survey and share your voice. We are not going over the results. The surveys are going to the Parks Dept. & the Parks Committee, together will compile the results and present the results to the Town Board later. The Town Board is not convincing anyone, nor swaying anyone to make any specific choice. We want your input. We are doing the best that we can with what we have, and we hope that the community will provide what it is they want. Then the Town Board can go out and get the appropriate bond that will support the choice made by the residents of Woodbury. Support your voice, your vote. Tom Burke asked the question regarding the number of survey's to date. Jackie Hernandez stated - as of Wednesday, 5/13 we had 280 surveys. Goes on to say, disappointed with this number. Hence why we extended the survey due date to June 5th.
 - i. Did reach out to Christine at the Senior Center and she is reaching out to the seniors to get their input as well. Working on doing a presentation for the seniors and inform them of what is being worked on/proposed.

62. Question from Christopher Perino - asked the question Tom Burke just proposed.

How many surveys have been received so far?

- a. Response is 280 as of 5/13.

63. Statement from Cindy Lutz - 6-year-old Hudson joined the session and would like to say he would love to have a slide. Also said, "I love the new mushroom shape." Thank you!
- a. The Hunter's responded by thanking Hudson as well.
64. Question by Kirsten Perino - So, what are the options less than \$3.5M?
- a. Response: Supervisor Palermo - vote no.
 - b. To go less than \$3.5 will result in a much smaller pool. What we heard from the Community the pool was too small - per the \$3.5M.
 - c. We heard from the community they did not want a small pool.
65. Question by Marry Ott - Will the results of the survey be published? Will those results be used to determine the final choice?
- a. Response: Councilwoman Hernandez, yes, they will. Will share the results of the survey. Once they receive the information.
 - b. Yes, the results of the survey will determine which bond we will pursue. Everyone will still get the opportunity to then vote on the bond. You can either support or decline.

End with the Town Board final comments:

Supervisor Palermo - thanked all participants - well over 40 people. Please get out there and vote. Important you use your own judgement. We are asking each of you to support the pool, and if not, then vote no.

Councilman Burke - thank you for the participation. Thanked Jackie and Clara for a job well done.

Councilman Hunter - thank you all for participation. Parks and Rec department is a vital entity in our town, and we need to support them and offer vitality to this group. We are going through tough times, but things will get better. I would like to see this move on.

Councilman Etzel - I want to thank Jackie because she has put a tremendous amount of time, effort, and work. I hope everyone appreciates truly what she has done. Trying to get out what the community wants, and everyone just needs to complete a survey.

Councilwoman Hernandez - thanking Clara for moderating with her, thanking the panel for being on tonight and for their support. Thanking the Town Board, the Parks & Rec Department, and the Parks Committee for their support. We are trying to make sure the voice of the community is heard and represented.