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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Annese Martin J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

TOWN SPORTS

INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS

INC [CLUB]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2009

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director X_ Officer (give title

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

below) COO

TOWN SPORTS

INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, INC., 5 PENN PLAZA

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10001

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D)

Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.12	12/11/2009		A	150,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/11/2019	Common Stock, par value \$0.001	150,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Annese Martin J.
TOWN SPORTS INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, INC.
5 PENN PLAZA
NEW YORK, NY 10001

COO

Signatures

/s/ David Kastin, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) These options vest in four equal annual installments commencing on December 11, 2010, the first anniversary of the grant date.

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