

May 19, 2011 Town Board Meeting

Present: David Lewis, Jeff Logan, Kitty Brown, Toni Hokanson

At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was opened by Supervisor Hokanson with the pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: adds: Requirements for recreation funds for Clearwater; Councilwoman Brown requested a discussion on assessor monthly reports, which she is not getting; wetlands information session, climate smart, recreation, community report, minutes; JL not discuss transfer of funds- next week

Agenda: A motion was made by Supervisor Hokanson to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, three aye votes cast with one nay vote cast by Councilman Logan. Motion carried.

Presentation- link between Wallkill Valley Rail Trail and the Hudson Valley Rail Trail

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Grant from Hudson River Greenway Conservation, being matched by New Paltz and Lloyd. Analyzing feasibility- aiming towards the next step- funding. Eventually hope to link to Dutchess County. Several community plans were used as research.

Bicycle Boulevard- alternate to not enough room for a bike path. Mini-circles for HW DuBois- Questioning safety for 299 modification of bridge over Thruway would facilitate bikes-would be less costly. Pedestrian signal at Ohioville Road. intersection 40-45 miles would be loop

Costs- Lots of costs- \$10,610,000

Ray Costantino, Town of Lloyd Supervisor, talked about having a plan so when a money opportunity comes you are not scrambling to pay for it.

Funding- DOT Transportation Improvement Program, Federal highway administration,

Safe routes to school, National Recreational Trails Act

Scheduled runs from 2011-2018

Ruth Elwell, Village resident, feels it is very, very promising- important. There may be a link to Dutchess County.

HW DuBois could be alternative for bikes

Funding- always more projects than there is money

Glenn Gidaly- Limited resources are out there but you'll attract them

Ira Margolis, Village resident- DOT's procedure for taking peoples property A- eminent domain 2 roundabouts on exit 18 praised by an audience member.

Distribute comment sheet

Public Comment: trailer hit by highway truck- insurance denied it -(Sanford Heady) on Marie Court. Fred Van Nostrand stated he also had property damage-- water has to go down before anything can be done

Margaret Human, Climate Smart Task Force- has not been active

Community Announcements:

3 public information sessions 5/31 at CC, 6/4 at NPHS cafeteria, 6/6 at 5:30 NPMS cafeteria for updates from the consolidation committee.

Time Warner- regents review channel 58 or 96- regents review live.net

Community giveaway this weekend providing a chance to "reuse to reduce" material left behind in college residence halls. Held at the Community Center on Saturday from 10-5 and Sunday from 9-3.

Recycling Center will be closed on June 11th (for a BMX event) and transfer station closed. Both will be open on the May 30th holiday..

Mohonk Consultations will be holding an award ceremony on June 7th at Mohonk Mountain House to honor Laura Heady.

Agenda Items:

.Set Public Hearing: Garbage, rubbish and refuse.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hokanson to declare the Town lead agency. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hokanson to set the Public Hearing for June 16th at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

.Wetlands information session, where?

Climate Smart Task force- attendance has dropped off; Supervisor Hokanson will approach the *Greenworks* Committee to rejuvenate it.

.Hearing officer- required, as per our code. We have some issues with unsafe buildings- Supervisor Hokanson thought to appoint one of our special prosecutors. Move to next week – meeting with them before the meeting

.Highway department vehicle for purchase- already budgeted for the majority of it. A motion was made by Councilman Lewis, to approve the purchase and transfer from the unexpended fund balance Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Undone from previously?

Electrician- no longer a girls' softball field, it's an additional baseball field.

.Request to move from Parkland Recreation fund (over 100,000) Councilman Logan's point- spending money on project with little use time span. As a Board we need to look at all the opportunities and review. Councilwoman Brown is not comfortable with emergency- needs to get an idea from Chuck and the baseball association of where the needs are. Sees nothing available for seniors.

Councilman Logan: Chuck overspent budget at several of dollars with concession stand.

Wasted \$6,000- \$7000 on engineer fees- last 7 was not approved of by Town Board

Councilwoman Brown is asking if seniors are getting their share of recreation pie because so much goes to the youth sports.

Councilman Logan: of Chucks' \$40,000 we are down to \$14,000; we need a complete survey of recreation groups

Supervisor Hokanson indicated the sprinkler system is not essential, catch bases- is basic infrastructure- could be more costly down the road. Supervisor Hokanson made a motion for \$3000. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown. Councilman Logan feels he can't support. Vote: two ayes, 2-no's by Councilmen Lewis and Logan. Councilman Lewis: wait for Councilwoman Williams. Table this for a week- can Chuck provide more information

Councilwoman Brown- reform state laws re: recreation fees, Waved also like reformatting of budget Ulster County Supervisors-

Councilman Logan- Page 5 warrant- \$4215 Tai Chi- Councilman Logan added up more from vouchers Councilwoman Brown doesn't like the new format for the warrant.

Councilwoman Brown regarding Assessor's Reports- they have not been done by Assessor Lorry King. Brown is questioning business- open from 8 a.m. to 4a.m. and assessed at \$400,000, need to see the sales reports. Tax rate is the same as residential.

Supervisor Hokanson thinks there is an option to keep business and residential separate. Councilwoman Brown asked can we investigate prior to budget time. Can the Assessor come to a June meeting and discuss? Office of real property too? Offer tax rates- close to 60% in Village and Town

Appointments: A motion was made by Supervisor Hokanson to appoint Jim Littlefoot to the ENCB, with a term expiration TBD. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Executive session:

Tax certiorari 4 million three-hundred and eighty-three thousand, asked for 2 million. Assessor Lorry King investigated- recommended 3 million, three-hundred thousand. The Attorney would like to offer

with the Town Boards' approval. (Nursing Home) Council members Brown and Logan think she came down too far, but the home brought documentation to court.

Councilman Logan feels it is troublesome. Councilman Lewis suggested the Board have her explain even if she can't change the figures. 25% in a single year is not common. Our alternative is to tell the Assessor and Attorney it's too much of a reduction.

Councilwoman Brown counter proposes ½ million dollar reduction. \$500,000 is not a lot of income and expense statement provided by them.

Councilman Logan feels it doesn't make sense, it's not worth more as a skilled nursing facility.

Joe Moriello suggested the Board talk to her for detail on reasoning behind it. Time Frame- need to file appraisal by early June. Supervisor Hokanson asked if we can discuss next week? Attorney suggested to approach her before grievance day.

.Car wash Stipulation of Settlement: consulted with Dave Clouser- different kind of meter to measure effluent is Dave's recommendation, and other similar industrial customers as well. Samples will need to be taken to be analyzed.

Councilman Logan asked about a recovery of money spent so far. Joe said there is nothing in the settlement for us to recover the money.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion declaring ourselves Lead Agency for purposes of proposed stipulation of agreement. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor made a motion to sign the stipulation of settlement. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

.Agreement with PBA: Supervisor Hokanson read aloud a determination of negative declaration. A motion was made by Supervisor Hokanson to sign. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Couldn't get additional health insurance. It ends at end of year. 3% outside of 3.25 they can go to own doctor and we pay co-pay. Without insurance they will go to the Town's doctor.

Discussion on salary

Councilwoman Brown agreed to accept authorization. A motion was made by Councilman Logan authorizing the Supervisor to sign. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Prepay: a motion was made by Councilwoman Brown authorizing the prepay voucher for a Town employee who did not provide proper receipts for reimbursement. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

A motion was made at 10:45 p.m. by Councilman Logan to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 10:45 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Logan to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Cappillino
Town Clerk

