

June 18, 2009
Public Hearing on Essential Services,
Public Hearing on Hotel Parking, Town of New Paltz Town Board Meeting

Present: Kitty Brown, David Lewis, Jeff Logan, JaneAnn Williams and Toni Hokanson

At 7:11 p.m. Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to open the Public Hearing on “Essential Services”, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes.

Supervisor Hokanson explained

Supervisor Hokanson moved to continue the Public Hearing on Essential Services to July 16th at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor Hokanson moved to open the Public Hearing on Hotel Parking. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Input

Robert Shallert, Jr. of motel 8 – no chance to review Ulster County Planning Board. Supervisor Hokanson replied there was no review.

Robert Schallert, Sr – owner of Super 8 Motel and restaurants – banquet, meeting, conference non establish needs parking. A large hotel in New Paltz is inevitable required zoning laws to be adhered to. Blue Jeans – needed one parking spot per every 50 sq. ft. – 118 spots available. Parking areas used included Terwilliger Lane, the Motel, and Shop Rite parking lot. It would be wise to consider parking for conference/meeting facilities – Board should consider this. What is a parking space? Yes, it is defined in zoning 9 x 18 is popular today – creates a lot of dented doors. New Paltz is green – if you have development got to have parking for that facility. You can not have it both ways.

Robert Schallert, Jr. questioned of County Planning Board have a formula for calculating parking spaces. Supervisor Hokanson returned is due to law saying must refer. She did as requested.

At 7:40 p.m. Supervisor Hokanson moved to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Councilman Logan. Councilwoman Brown – not so fast – have we sent revised law with conference center? Councilwoman Brown nay vote, all other aye votes, motion carried.

At 7:41 p.m. Supervisor Hokanson opened the Town Board Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Add Christ for setting a Public Hearing (old business) e-mail – water line expense from Dave Clouser and a prepay. Add Stormwater issues.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Announcements:

Grand Opening of Community Center, Sunday July 5th at 11:30 a.m.

Celebration 7/4/2009 Fireworks will be skimpy due to loss of sponsors.

Public Comment

Pete Savago, Town resident, wrote a letter a year ago to the Board and Attorney regarding a problem on DuBois Road, and received no response. A culvert is taking water from the east side to the west side of the road – causing severe damage to Pete’s property.

Councilman Logan, on May 21st approved funds – it was on Phil’s schedule after paving. Dave Closer recommended and funds were approved. Councilwoman Brown apologized for the delay. Paving is behind schedule due to rainy weather. Councilman Logan will follow up with Highway Superintendent. Clean up will take two men, 2 – 3 hours.

Repairs – Pete says hire private contractor – money is in budget.

Everette Payne, Town resident, said Josh and Everette are working on a temporary Police Department. After seeing the Police Department for the first time, he said he would sue Town Board for the disgrace that is the Police Dept. He suggested the Board get off the pot and get it done.

Dave Porter, Town resident, follow up on Stoneleigh Woods issue. He was here couple of months ago – Town Board hired Spider Barbour to inspect wetlands. He is urging Town Board to be more pro-active for Village Planning Board and developers’ attorney – Town as permitting authority on this project. He has not seen any review. Supervisor Hokanson stated the Village is back-peddling on acknowledging that the Town is an involved agency. Dave says time is running out. Letter is being drafted for mid-next week.

Josh Honig, Town resident, indicated Everette was speaking for himself. Look at the property we recommended. Outdoor furnace issue needs to be dealt with before the heating seasons starts. DEC is working on making it harder to sell devices in the state. Hurley legislation should be referred to Attorney Moriello.

Patrick O’Donnell, Village Trustee, Stoneleigh Woods – advocates for Wetlands Inspector Spider Barbour to do evaluation. He is disappointed with playground at Moriello closed off to general public –

sign looks for money to access. Feels it is not tied to pool use should be separate. Town Board to explore other options.

Councilwoman Brown agreed – last year asked County Health Dept meeting with Bill Russell, pool director. Ended with pool staff saying it was “unenforceable.” Separate policing is too costly – close to \$6,000; it was not clear in the presentation two years ago that it was not available to the public. Supervisor Hokanson asked the Nyquists to look at proposal sent to them and it indicated “public” we need to take action. Fence enter playground –pool????

Ira Margolis, Village resident, indicated the disabled community offers thanks to Village Building Inspector for handicap accessibility of pool.

Agenda Items:

Police Camera Grant – Lt. Osarczuk – grants had already been applied for question was not interested. Replacing cameras that seem to have failed to operate – grant did not make allowance for maintenance.

Lieutenant suggested there were – several misunderstandings – warranty accompany equipment.

Different manufacturer – new one works better. Replacements were made at least 3 times by Steve Osarczuk personally.

Josh Honig questioned how long is technology did he contact other Police Departments. Steve Osarczuk confirmed that he did.

SOS4 Kids – They will be using the same route as last year. Sees no problem with it. Councilwoman Brown said may need to hire additional officer on overtime. Supervisor Hokanson stated attorney said the Board can not charge for this. Supervisor Hokanson suggested we put off until next Thursday and Lt. Osarczuk will provide information on coverage needs.

Councilwoman Brown questioned if the Town can charge an event fee that would offset fees for officers. She also suggested avoiding Main and North Front Streets.

Proposed changes to sign law: need to set Public Hearing. Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to set the Public Hearing for July 16 at 7 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Hotel Parking: Councilwoman Brown made a motion to send revised plan to Ulster County Planning Board including Assembly. Meeting Rooms – 1 space per 6 seats. Seconded by Councilman Lewis, one aye vote from Councilwoman Brown, four nay votes, motion fails.

Supervisor Hokanson moved, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, to complete a short form SEQR.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to pass negative declaration. Seconded by Councilman Logan, vote is as follows: Councilwoman Brown nay, four aye votes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hokanson moved to adopt the resolution. Town Board amend Town code section 1 be replaced and section 2 – be adopted. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams to be adopted, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Robert Schallert referred to adding on accessory – add parking? Supervisor Hokanson indicated it goes before the Planning Board.

Christ Property: Supervisor Hokanson declare Town Board lead agency and set Public Hearing for July 23 at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Stormwater: Thompson at 136 Mountain Rest Road. Roadway drainage going on his property, Dave Clouser described problem of property and culvert. Supervisor Hokanson said to refer to Building Inspector, she wanted pictures which Dave brought tonight. Supervisor Hokanson will send letter to County to look at. Councilwoman Brown moved to use \$12,500 of unexpended fund balance in Water District #1 to expand water main from 6 inches to 12 inches. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried. Councilwoman Brown made a motion to amend allocation to \$17,000. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Community Center: Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to prepay \$184.00 to Landworks. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Crosswalk on Main Street: Councilman Logan made a motion authorizing a crosswalk on Main Street and Duzine Road. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown or JAW????, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Moriello Concession – Supervisor Hokanson made a motion Town Board to approve signing of contract without?????????, seconded by Councilwoman Williams, No vote from Councilwoman Brown, 4 aye votes, motion carried.

Board of Assessment Review pay: Town Assessor Lorry King asked about a payment increase for members, indicatring \$5.00 per hour is not standard, \$12.00 per hour is average. Councilwoman Brown made a motion to pay \$8.00 per hour. Seconded by Councilman Logan; pay changed for 2009, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Savago: Councilman Logan offered to research and talk to Supervisor Hokanson.

Discussion of MRI Trailer: overlooked from agenda. Mark Bette called – July 27 Planning Board Meeting-subject of July 6 – wants not to remove trailer before going back to Planning Board.

Councilman Logan suggested push to June 25 meeting, explaining we need to see their request to Planning Board.

Committee Reports:

Councilwoman Brown: Historic Preservation Commission: 90% complete with first designation -- Cemetery on South Putt Corners Road.

– ENCB- check the tape

Councilwoman Williams: Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee active – completed streets for everybody; bike parking at thruway – bike racks around Town (covered); video production underway on Biking Safety in New Paltz.

Supervisor Hokanson: Transit Sub Committee – video underway on loop bus.

Councilman Logan: Planning Board good – few applications.

Warrants:

Councilwoman Brown made a motion to approve and authorize the Supervise to sign the May warrants totaling \$491,600.91. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Prepays:

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to approve the prepayment of voucher #89168 in the amount of \$17,345.27 to Ford Motor Credit. Budget Code: AAA522312040, Contractual Expense. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to approve the prepayment of voucher #89172 in the amount of \$6,536 to Alfandre Architecture. Budget Code: AAA522802040, Planning Infrastructure. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to approve the prepayment of voucher #89181 in the amount of \$1444.60 to Jacobowitz & Gubits. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

At 10:03 p.m. Councilman Logan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marian Cappillino
Town Clerk