

**Town Board Meeting--Town of New Paltz
May 28, 2009**

Present: Jeff Logan, Kitty Brown, Jane Ann Williams, and Toni Hokanson.

At 7:33 p.m. the meeting was opened by the Supervisor with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: add Deuce ½ to new business; move BMX truck up, remove Christ & Rappa, setting a date – Comprehensive Plan. Accessory trailer in violation in New Paltz Medical Center; a brief report from Town Clerk, BMX, sign law. Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to accept the Agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Public Comment

Tom Nyquist, Village resident, representing Nyquist Foundation.

Josh Honig, held up sign read aloud letter – made a case for playground not to be part of the pool

Two upcoming grants – HVME – requested space for trailers – would re-pay. Host of questions

Community announcements: calendar items.

Agenda items:

BMX – Craig Shankles represented Jerry Patterson. Some Federal Wetlands exist

Chuck Bordino, Director of Recreation, spoke in favor of baseball at Clearwater and offered a plan that would not cost money.

Councilman Logan said the Superintendent of Highways gave specs and Chuck had to order, which Chuck disagreed with.

Sand and topsoil by June 12th. Phil 3000 soil 1600 –power screen.

Craig suggested getting a survey, drainage not needed; would like an engineer's report.

Councilwoman Brown would like to see priority given to projects; Councilman Logan agreed that everything needs to get in line.

Supervisor Hokanson expressed her frustration with baseball progress. Jerry asked for project to be done a year from now, not now. Start a policy where the Town gets back a percentage of the net of any championship, to be invested back into the property. Not a loan – need to get financial history from all sports groups. Dave Clouser's office should finish plans.

Andy Musso, Village resident, asked where the money comes from. Supervisor Hokanson explained that some money is raised by taxes, \$82000 is from housing units.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to authorize Dave Clouser to continue engineering for plan to get an estimate. Councilwoman Brown seconded the motion for purposes of discussion; refer to ENCB for understanding the impact on Wetlands soil sample. Councilman Logan made a motion to cap \$23,000 for a survey, engineering, and soil samples. Councilwoman Brown said soil samples were contingent on the word of David Clouser, Spider Barbour and the ENCB, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Supervisor Hokanson made a motion to authorize renting a screener and purchase of sand. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

8:50 pm short break; 8:58 pm reconvening

??..Signs: Supervisor Hokanson said she wanted to change residential districts page 12; page 13 change height of sign from the ground. Councilwoman Brown wants to ban internally lit signs in the Town. Councilwoman Williams supports internally lit signs, explained they use a consistent bulb size. Village Trustee **Patrick O' Donnell, newly elected to the Village Board, questioned dome shield. This was**

confirmed. Supervisor Hokanson moved to set the Public Hearing on signs at 7 pm on June 25, 2009. Seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Youth Program: \$1200 of \$2200 for trips – now Jim will buy a projector and BBQ grill. Councilman Logan made a motion for \$1000 for a projector and \$200 for a grill. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Parking Restrictions on Route 208: a fraternity house has a multiple number of cars parked on the shoulder, resulting in a request for *No Parking* signs to be erected (across from Hawk Hill). Councilwoman Brown made a motion to pass a resolution supporting the Supervisor's request. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried

Deuce ½ : Councilman Logan moved and Councilwoman Williams seconded, Supervisor Hokanson said pass with Highway Superintendent's permission. Councilman Logan said he will follow up with Phil. Friendly amendment Phil is aware and approves. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

??..Trailer at Medical Center: a notice of violation was sent in 2007. Councilman Logan made a motion to have Building Inspector Stacy Delarede **to have trailer enforce current site plan** and remove off property. Seconded by Councilwoman Williams, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Report by Town Clerk/hours by Planning & Zoning members: how many hours? Should be for calendar year 2008 rather than broken up.

Prospective Board Resolutions: Phil Schillaci, Town resident, is asking for a resolution from the Town Board that there be no lighting at the Field of Dreams. Councilwoman Williams said it is already noted somewhere. Has there been a Public Hearing on the Field of Dreams? No. Supervisor Hokanson explained she is not in favor of a resolution. Councilwoman Brown suggested working with the County to place a conservation easement to keep it in its natural state. Councilman Logan stated resolution on option 1 not on option 2. Councilwoman Williams said she prefers to do nothing – no conservation easement on land that is leased. Supervisor Hokanson full financing stipulation is not the way we do things, she does not agree. Third thing state reps enacting alcoholic beverage tax can not. You have to be a city. Councilwoman Brown moved to write letter to our State Reps, seconded by Councilman Logan, all aye votes

??..Conservation Easement-Cluster Development: Councilwoman Brown – **letters of intent or denial to Town Board. Supervisor Hokanson will work on it.**

Moratorium: Councilman Logan made a motion for a local law on building moratorium – to legal counsel for review and comments. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown. Supervisor Hokanson feels we should not be considering moratorium until we have a comprehensive plan. Councilwoman Brown disagrees, insists this is the right time. Councilwoman Williams agrees with Supervisor Hokanson – no reason to delay to send to the attorney due to timeline. Councilman Logan suggested update while writing Master Plan; looking at November and December. Supervisor Hokanson would want to put more things in a moratorium. Vote: Three aye votes cast with one nay vote cast by Supervisor Hokanson, motion carried.

Set date to interview Special Prosecutor candidates: Position would be a six-month trial; some surrounding towns are making money. Interviews set for next Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. for four candidates; Supervisor Hokanson will advise one applicant he is asking too much money.

Ambulance contracts: a letter was sent to those Village residents who signed notice of claim through the Village; they were advised not to move forward – one resident took her up. Opinions from OSC (3 or more) must be done on a Town-wide basis unless we had Fire Districts.

A fund – bill based on property values – Village residents as a group pays 27% of bill.

Town and Village Board half of population in Village, half calls in Village – September 17, 1998 – adoption of formula –Feldman – Nyquist formula approved by Village Board. Supervisor Hokanson fixed mistake – moved from B to A fund, one contract existed – separated when it moved from B to A Fund. If Village chooses to have separate contract they should get something extra for it. Contract ends in December, Village ends in June, and we should go back to one contract.

Joint Meeting with Village – possibly in July?

Openings: CWOSP has two openings.

At 10:56 p.m. Councilman Logan made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Brown, all aye votes cast, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Marian Cappillino
Town Clerk