

## Aug. 26, 2010 Town Board Meeting

**Present-** Jane Ann Williams, Dave Lewis, Kitty Brown, Jeff Logan, Toni Hokanson

At 7:15 pm- Supervisor Hokanson opened the meeting with the pledge and distributed the sign up sheet due to large number of audience participants

**Agenda-** Councilwoman Brown - add try to schedule joint meeting with Police ? + ENCB- decision about **Pd** on fire district

Councilman Logan made a motion to accept the Agenda as modified. Seconded by Dave Lewis, all aye votes cast. Motion carried.

**Presentation-** John Orfitelli, chair of HPC

Completed grant; proposal going forward to enhance GIS map; target public presentation in October.

Online interactive map of New Paltz area with historic properties. (Town+Village )

Project cost total \$12,000; match-\$3,000, \$7,800 is requested to get back from SHPO

Need Town resolution to use HPC budget money to apply.

Unused 2009 grant cycle money- must be used in one month

\$2,500 will be **received** to do flash application

state has unused money from towns that did follow through with grant applications, will try to submit by next wed.

\$3,000 would come from his usual \$4,000 budget allocation

Announcements- Parents should check on immunizations before going back to school –says Ulster County Department of Health

**Public Input-**

Greg Symanski, **Town resident**, presented a petition to the Board- 29 members of community-

LL 1,2,3- repeal and they will commence legal action. This is just the beginning. 3 years land management- dismissed- board still paying attorney for that action

We are very serious about this matter

Vote of intent?

Supervisor Hokanson - land management- wetlands

If repeal LL # you would not be eligible for flood insurance

Ray Lunati- thanked Greg for wonderful presentation. Had pictures of **bladder**

Councilman Logan spoke to CH representative and DEC representative and disagrees with Ray's assertion

Fire Department- working hard, looking for appreciation, but a fire district will not necessarily be of benefit

Let areas of Town contract with fire department

Councilwoman Brown was looking for budget- where is it?

Some local towns use multiple fire districts- maybe we can. **Some people** frustrated some fireman, which is why they left

Mr. Newman- Plutarch Rd- less affected by new law- passing of law and restrictions

Homeowners Rights- you're affecting the entire town- You are here to represent us, not cause future hardship.

DEC and Land Trusts exist to protect the land. Town doesn't need to regulate

Fire District- switching will cost money, average house worth \$200,000-\$750. per year

This Town can't afford a Fire District. Kingston switched from volunteer to paid- phenomenal cost. New Paltz has Highland to respond to 2<sup>nd</sup> alarms.

How is law going to affect **saleability**? Will it interfere with insurance

Adding building to property

**Bob Gabrielli**- we would like to be restored to some property rights before you passed the laws

This town last wetlands law made impassioned plea

This law has a math problem

Take a vote- you will repeal this law

Councilman Logan- Removing wetlands will create flooding

Chris Ullrich- attends lots of town board meetings- frustrated by Dave C. did not answer all questions, attorney was not available to answer all questions  
Feels law was shoved down throat- feels there is a lot of flaws in new law- it should be repealed. West of the Wallkill homes- burden should be shared by all  
Would like repeal and readdress  
Pete Healy- Fire District- small part of meeting. Restricted to public comment- most important thing about Fire District was in letter section of paper. No one knew of Albany lawyers coming here on 7/29. Fast track to no where  
Thanked Councilman Lewis for voting against Fire District- absolutely right  
14000 square feet fire house plans w/architect.  
When were plans going to become...  
At consolidated meetings- neither board would be setting up anything to conflict with aims of committee  
Supervisor Hokanson - we can't repeal the law- there's a whole process- **initial** allegations and claims made about intent (questions) of law  
Councilwoman Brown - not interested in repealing law right now- any proposed modifications Supervisor Hokanson will consult with consultants about claims  
Event construct with New Paltz Central School-  
Chief Snyder- attorney provided opinion  
Police officers for school events-cost  
Officer with benefits and additional 9.4%  
Supervisor Hokanson approved to putting second request in the contract-backhanded method  
Risky situation- not above board.  
Councilman Logan - 9.4% is not income  
Joe- this is new to have officer at school events. There is no contract. Coverage will cover wherever incident occurs  
Councilman Logan - we are losing **success** of officer on streets taken away to put officer in school.  
Supervisor Hokanson - keep 2 contracts separate  
Chief trying to work with school to have an officer present  
Dare officer will go into regular rotation  
Councilwoman Brown - we need a formal contract giving permission to be in building, invites officer to be in building, setting hours and pay.  
Councilman Lewis - school should make some kind of commitment  
Chief- not a loss of money- its crime prevention  
Councilman Logan - Hyde Park School bears cost of officer in their school. Recommends training agreed on with police commission- school  
Councilman Lewis, Councilwoman Brown - we want letter from **Superintendent** and school board president and saying it is important to have officer and...  
Supervisor Hokanson mentioned she sign contract as **original**. Seconded by Jane Anne Williams, no  
Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Logan