

**TOWN BOARD MEETING  
May 21, 2015**

A regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting was held on Thursday May 21, 2015 in the Town Hall 284 Broadway Ulster Park, New York at 7:30 PM with the following persons in attendance:

**Supervisor John Coutant  
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet  
Councilperson Wayne Freer  
Councilperson Kyle Barnett  
Councilperson Diane McCord**

**Administrative Recorder: Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk**

Supervisor John Coutant called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE**

**RESOLUTION TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN PETROLEUM FOR SOIL TRANSPORTATION TO LANDFILL**

**TOWN OF ESOPUS  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN SUPERVISOR  
TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN PETROLEUM**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, in the County of Ulster, State of New York the following:

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Esopus has received and reviewed the contract with American Petroleum for transportation and disposal of **soil only** from the Town of Esopus Highway Garage to the Town of Colonie Landfill at a cost of \$50.60 per ton,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Esopus Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor John K. Coutant to execute this contract on behalf of the Town of Esopus.

**Resolution offered by: Councilperson Kyle Barnett  
Resolution seconded by: Councilperson Wayne Freer**

<b>Councilperson Diane McCord</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilperson Kyle Barnett</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilperson Gloria VanVliet</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilperson Wayne Freer</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Supervisory John K. Coutant</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**Resolution passed 4/1**

Councilperson Diane McCord explained to burn the soil would be \$63.25 per ton, approximately \$30,000 more than transporting the soil to a landfill. However, it eliminates the Town's liability in the future. She knows the cost is substantial but she would hate the Town to receive a bill 20 years from now because it wasn't disposed of properly.

Councilperson Barnett agreed with Councilperson McCord's concern of minimizing the Town's exposure, however the likelihood that it will have an impact in the future is so slight, it does not justify the additional cost at this time. The entire project cost is estimated to be well over \$200,000 and the additional \$30,000 will have a significant financial impact on the Town. It is not the perfect solution but weighing the risk vs. cost, Councilperson Barnett feels the authorized Landfill is the better option.

Councilperson Freer said he agreed with both Councilpersons. He would prefer to see it burnt. However he was concerned of a "moisture fee" which was included in the burning option. The Board is not sure what that fee is and what the additional cost would be. The cost of the landfill option is constant.

Supervisor Coutant agreed with other Councilpersons. This spill has cost the Town a tremendous amount of money. Supervisor Coutant said he felt the stable cost of \$50.60 per ton is the best way to handle the expenditure.

Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet said the percentage of risk must be low or why would the Colonie landfill take the soil. Percentage of risk is slight and for the difference of \$30,000 we need to do the Colonie Landfill.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF THE TOWN OF ESOPUS ASSESSOR AND BELLAIRE RIGE AND LIGHTHOUSE BLUFF**

**TOWN OF ESOPUS  
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SETTLEMENT  
TOWN OF ESOPUS ASSESSOR, ET AL ADV.  
BELLAIRE RIDGE, LLC AND LIGHTHOUSE BLUFF, LLC**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, in the County of Ulster, State of New York the following:

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Esopus has received and reviewed the proposed settlement of the pending tax certiorari proceedings in the above matter,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Esopus Town Board authorizes our attorney, Paul T. Kellar, Esq., to execute the proposed Consent Judgment and such documents as necessary to effect settlement of this case on behalf of the Town of Esopus and to have said documents filed.

Resolution offered by: Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet  
 Resolution seconded by: Councilperson Diane McCord

Councilperson Diane McCord Aye  
 Councilperson Kyle Barnett Aye  
 Councilperson Gloria VanVliet Aye  
 Councilperson Wayne Freer Aye  
 Supervisory John K. Coutant Aye

**TRANSFER STATION FEE CHANGES**

Supervisor Coutant said this has been an ongoing topic for the past 4-5 months. The UCRRA will be increasing their fees charged to the Town, and therefore it is necessary to increase our fees to offset the additional costs. The new fees will be effective June 1, 2015. Although the fees were not read individually, they have been included in these minutes for reference.

**TOWN OF ESOPUS TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING CENTER**  
**FEE SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE DATE JUNE 1, 2015**

**ANNUAL PERMIT FEES – MUST BE STUCK TO CAR WINDSHIELD**

<b>BUSINESS CONTRACTOR PERMITS (TOWN RESIDENT ONLY)</b>	<b>\$250</b>
<b>RESIDENTIAL PERMIT</b>	<b>\$40</b>
<b>SENIOR PERMIT (over 60, proof required)</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>LOST PERMIT OR SECOND PERMIT (MUST BE SAME HOUSEHOLD AND SHOW REGISTRATION FOR SECOND VEHICLE)</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>1 DAY PASS</b>	<b>\$10</b>

**BULK HOUSEHOLD WASTE** **\$ .12 PER POUND**  
**\$12 Minimum**

**TRASH BAGS**

<b>COUPON BOOKLET 10 BAGS (1 30 GALLON BAG OR CAN)</b>	<b>\$45</b>
<b>40 Gallon Bag</b>	<b>\$7</b>
<b>30 Gallon Bag</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>10 - 13 Gallon Bag</b>	<b>\$3</b>

**PROPANE**

<b>PROPANE (SM CAMPING SIZE)</b>	<b>\$1</b>
<b>PROPANE (20 GALLON)</b>	<b>\$5</b>

**APPLIANCES**

<b>Refrigerators/ Air conditioners R-22</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Other Appliances</b>	<b>\$10</b>

**YARD WASTES – BRUSH LESS THAN 4 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND CUT INTO 4 -6 FOOT LENGTHS, GRASS LEAVES AND DEAD PLANTS**

BRUSH (PICK-UP TRUCK LOAD)	\$10
BRUSH (DUMP TRUCK)	\$20
GRASS AND LEAVES (PICK-UP TRUCK LOAD)	\$5
GRASS AND LEAVES (DUMP TRUCK)	\$10
Leaves in Brown Bags	No Charge

**TIRES**

20" OR LESS	OFF RIM \$5	ON Rim \$10
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**Only waste generated in Esopus is permitted to be disposed of at the Transfer Station.**

**Recyclables accepted:** paper products, newspaper, magazines, books, office paper, cardboard and junk mail

**Container Products-** Container Glass, Food & Beverage Cans, Plastic Containers

**Automotive**

Car batteries

Used motor oil

**ALL RECYCLING MUST BE OBSERVED.**

A one day pass is required when using another vehicle other than those registered for that permit.

**The following FREE electronics can be taken to UCRRA – 999 Flatbush Road Kingston, NY**  
**Monitors, Terminals, Typewriters, Printers, Scanners, Cables, TV's Radio's, CPU's, DVD's, CRT's, Stereo**

There will no longer be prorated stickers available throughout the year. Commercial businesses will need to upgrade their current permit and pay an additional \$100 for the remainder of the year.

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

The Memorial Day Parade will kick off at 10 am from the Dollar General and proceed to the Riverview Cemetery.

**UC MEMORIAL ROLL OF HONOR**

The County of Ulster and area Veterans invite the public to join in the dedication of the Ulster County Memorial Roll of Honor. The dedication will be held Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm at the Ulster County Office Building in Kingston. This is a memorial to all Ulster County Service Members who have made the ultimate sacrifice throughout our nations' history.

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

**Be It Resolved, by** the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, County of Ulster as follows:

**Whereas,** the Town of Esopus has been presented with budget adjustments and the adjustments have been examined and approved by the Town Board.

**Therefore, Be It Resolved,** that the following budget adjustments be approved for payment:

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR MAY 2015**

<b>AO-0599.000 Fund Balance</b>	<b>AO-5132.401</b>	<b>HWY Garage Cont.</b>	<b>\$ 18,929.47</b>
		<b>American Petroleum</b>	

**A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.**

<b>OFFERED BY:</b>	<b>Councilperson Kyle Barnett</b>
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	<b>Councilperson Diane McCord</b>

**ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

<b>Supervisor John Coutant</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilperson Wayne Freer</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilperson Kyle Barnett</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilperson Diane McCord</b>	<b>AYE</b>

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Board of the Town of Esopus, County of Ulster as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Esopus has been presented with vouchers for payment and these vouchers have been examined and approved by the Town Board,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following vouchers be approved for payment:

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>151193 - 151256</b>	<b>\$ 58,203.32</b>
<b>Highway Fund</b>	<b>152114 - 152149</b>	<b>\$ 22,342.76</b>
<b>Street Lights</b>	<b>156005</b>	<b>\$ 6,454.90</b>
<b>Port Ewen Sewer Fund</b>	<b>153049 - 153060</b>	<b>\$ 7,871.03</b>
<b>Port Ewen Water Fund</b>	<b>154118 - 154149</b>	<b>\$ 32,264.61</b>
<b>Total.....</b>		<b>\$127,136.62</b>

**A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS.**

**OFFERED BY:** Councilperson Wayne Freer  
**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet

**ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Supervisor John Coutant	<b>AYE</b>
Councilperson Wayne Freer	<b>AYE</b>
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet	<b>AYE</b>
Councilperson Kyle Barnett	<b>AYE</b>
Councilperson Diane McCord	<b>AYE</b>

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON DIANE MCCORD AND SECONDED COUNCILPERSON KYLE BARNETT. ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMUNICATION & REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:05 PM WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON KYLE BARNETT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON WAYNE FREER. ALL TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Respectively Submitted,**

**Holly A. Netter  
Town Clerk**