

TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
April 18, 2017

A regularly scheduled Town Board Workshop Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 in the Town Hall 284 Broadway Ulster Park, New York at 7:30 PM with the following people in attendance:

Supervisor Diane McCord
Councilperson Wayne Freer - Absent
Councilperson Kathie Quick
Councilperson Jared Geuss
Councilperson Gloria Van Vliet

Recording Administrator Holly A. Netter, Town Clerk

Supervisor Diane McCord opened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Continuation of Public Hearing 2/22/17- Local Law Alternates for Planning and Zoning Board

Supervisor Diane McCord continued the Public Hearing held over from February 22, 2017 regarding the Local Law proposed to allow for Alternates to be placed on the Planning and Zoning Boards as well as chapter 35.

Public comment: none

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

There was no further action taken with this Local Law.

Supervisor Announcements – April 18, 2017

1. Our solar project is progressing nicely. The Transfer Station was brush-hogged to make ready for the delivery of the equipment which began on Monday. Central Hudson will connect to us in June. Paul Curran is pleased with the progress.
2. We are saddened by the passing of Pastor Christoph Arnold. He was a kind spirit that will be missed by all.
3. According to Mike Kutski, the Union Employee Performance Evaluation Sheets must be reviewed by members of the Union. This evaluation sheet will be used for all employees. A committee must be set up to go over the sheets. The committee will consist of Mike Dauner,

Derrick Brown, Holly Netter, Wayne Freer (since Wayne was on the Union Committee) and Mike Kutski. Possible meeting dates suggested by Mike Kutski were May 10, 17 or 23 at 9 AM.

4. Two of the new highway trucks have been delivered and the third is expected tomorrow. All the paperwork has been completed.
5. We have received Notice from the Town of New Paltz on a local law "placing a nine-month moratorium on all applications and permits in the Town's Exit 18 Gateway Area." The paperwork is available for review.
6. There will be an Environmental Board Meeting tomorrow evening at 7:30 pm to review the Town of Esopus Scenic Resources Inventory Study with the Cornell people.

RECREATION BUILDING – FIELD TRIP

Supervisor McCord and Councilperson Jared Geuss were unable to locate the flags which represented the layout of the proposed Recreation Building. Supervisor McCord will contact Dan Vedder for clarification of the location.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – INTERVIEW Stephanie Erwin, Environmental Board

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK AT 7:35 PM TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTERVIEWING STEPHANIE ERWIN FOR A VACANCY ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR DIANE MCCORD. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:45 PM BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET AND SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KATHIE QUICK TO APPOINT STEPHANIE ERWIN AS A MEMBER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE 12/31/2017. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – D'ANNA PROPERTY - WATER TANK

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:46 PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING NEGOTIATION OF A POTENTIAL LITIGATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE NEW PORT EWEN WATER DISTRICT'S WATER TANK. WATER SUPERINTENDENT, DON KIERNAN, WAS INVITED INTO THE SESSION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:55 PM BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON KATHIE QUICK. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD BROCHURE

Mark Ellison, Chairman of the Environmental Board, has made a brochure to distribute which the Board approved with minor changes. The Brochure has recycling information and includes information about the Esopus Transfer Station. These brochures will be handed out at the Library on Saturday April 22nd as part of the Earth Day festivities at the Esopus Library and used at the Town Transfer Station.

MOBILITIE CELL TOWER

Paul Costa from Mobilities reviewed his proposal of placing a pole style cell tower on Town property. Various locations were discussed and Paul has a Pre-Submission meeting scheduled for the morning. The Board felt the idea is feasible. The location will need to be determined and details will need to be further discussed after the Pre-Submission meeting. The Town would need to enter into an agreement and fees would be paid ranging somewhere between \$500-\$1000 per year.

RIVERPORT WOODEN BOAT SCHOOL – CARTER BLEASE

Carter Blease from the Riverport Wooden Boat School out of the Maritime Museum in Kingston attended the meeting to discuss the placement of moorings on the Esopus side of the Rondout Creek. Carter shared his vision and reviewed material which was given to the Board. The Moorings would be placed seasonally in the creek, allowing the Boat school to keep their lightning boats, 19 Ft. in length (sailing dinghy's) in the creek and out of the Coast Guard Channel. These boats will be in a section where the water is only 3 feet deep. This area is calm, safe and protected, enabling them to train people how to use the boats. Further research needs to be done to see where the exact placement will be and who owns the property. The Supervisor will set up a meeting with the Assessor and Carter to view the exact location. If approved, Councilperson Geuss suggested we have a month to month agreement.

UNION CONTRACT – EMPLOYEE EVALUATION FORMS

A Resolution will be presented at the April 26 meeting to sign the UPSEU Contract. Supervisor McCord said after talking to Union Representative, Mike Kutski, the Employee Evaluation forms need to be reviewed and approved prior to using them. A committee has been assembled and a meeting date needs to be determined to review the evaluation forms.

Comprehensive Plan Community Survey

The Board reviewed the proposed Comprehensive Plan Survey Form. Some minor verbiage changes need to be made. Residents can go online to complete the survey and data will be compiled based on the input. Councilperson Geuss said it will save a lot of time because the data can be collected electronically. Paper surveys will be available and will need to be manually inputted into the system.

NYMIR Annual Meeting May 5th

Supervisor McCord shared with the Board members the information regarding NYMIR's annual meeting, should anyone want to attend.

Local Law Appointing Planning and Zoning Board Alternates

The Public Hearing was closed on the proposed local law regarding implementing alternate members to the Planning and Zoning boards. The law, as advertised, does not meet the approval of Paul Kellar, Town Attorney, and is currently under review by Peter Graham, Attorney for the Planning and Zoning Board. The Law will need to be re written if the Town Board wishes to pursue this. This matter will be discussed again once new information is available.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Fire Inspector

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:58 PM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF THE FIRE INSPECTOR. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

A MOTION WAS MADE AT 9:12 PM BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON GLORIA VAN VLIET. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUPERVISOR MCCORD TO ADJURN THE MEETING AT 9:14 PM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON JARED GEUSS. ALL MEMBERS PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectively Submitted,

**Holly A. Netter
Town Clerk, RMC**