

TOWN OF AMENIA
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, September 17, 2009
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Euvrard called **Regular Board Meeting** to order at 7:00 pm.

Salute to the flag was conducted and moment of silence for our brave troops serving worldwide.

Emergency Exits at right of town board meeting table and at rear of meeting room.

PRESENT:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

Supervisor Euvrard thanked all the voters at the primary and stated that he is honored to serve as Town Supervisor.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway – TOWN OF AMENIA HIGHWAY MATERIAL BIDS

Judy Carlson, Highway Department Office Manager, submitted results of bid opening from September 10, 2009 for Town of Amenia Highway road materials for period **9/17/09-9/16/10**; bank run, sand, item #4, crushed quarry stone, washed gravel, calcium chloride, hot and cold bituminous mix, road oils, concrete, and equipment rentals, with recommendation of successful bidders from Stanley Whitehead, Highway Superintendent. All bids were submitted with a notarized non-collusive statement and corporate bidders filed a resolution with corporate seal.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Pelkey to accept bids as recommended by Stanley Whitehead, Amenia Highway Superintendent.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds reminded the town board to discuss ADP pedestrian ramp advertisement.

Building/Zoning

Supervisor Euvrard reported that Nancy Brusie, Zoning Administrator has responded to concerns from CAC at Allen Sand & Gravel.

Water

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to HIRE **National Water Services, Inc** (NWS) of Amenia, New York, effective October 5, 2009, for terms stated under contract.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Euvrard will terminate contract with **VRI Services, Inc.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation

Tom Werner reported that Recreation Committee is in transition from summer to winter programs. Effective September 1, 2009 Beekman Park concession stand, bathrooms, are under full care, custody, and control of Soccer team.

Wastewater

No Report

CAC

Michael Peek reviewed environmental issues discussed at recent meetings. CAC has received no response to letters sent by David Reagon, Chairman, to town board members and Zoning Administrator, addressing serious zoning issues within the town. Michael Peek read letter from David Reagon, addressing these issues. Supervisor Euvrard responded with letter submitted by Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector on July 2009 that addressed specifics. David Reagon has FOIL request on file for additional information.

Enhancement

Councilwoman Doyle announced Town Clean Up Day on October 24th. Free Daffodil bulbs will be available to residents from October 17 thru October 24 at Diana King's home.

Neighborhood Watch

Ernie Lowell reported that National Neighborhood Watch Institute (NNWI) could provide reflective signs (crosswalks and road signs). Councilman Pelkey suggested contacting **Donna Hillman**; vendor that supplies Dover and Millerton, New York.

Mechanic Street

Supervisor Euvrard reported that number and types of trees are needed for Con-Tech Construction to replant. Councilwoman Doyle suggested that dates and times be confirmed to allow arborist to oversee the project. Deferred to **Executive Session** with Town Attorney.

Grants – Michael Hagerty

Dutchess County Arts Council

Motion by Councilwoman Doyle, Second by Councilwoman Perotti, to authorize the Supervisor to sign for a grant application in the amount of \$1,500 to fund the After School Dance Program from mid September 2010 to mid December in 2010.

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Videographer Assistant

Motion by Supervisor Euvrard, Second by Councilman Cayea to advertise for a part-time volunteer position as Assistant (Trainee) to Videographer.

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #35 OF 2009
TRANSFER OF HIGHWAY FUNDS**

WHEREAS, Line DAO-04-5142-400 (Snow Removal) incurred unanticipated expenses; and

WHEREAS, said expenses occurred due to the increase in snow maintenance products; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the authority to transfer funds when necessary; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Amenia Town Board authorizes a transfer of \$25,000 from DAO-04-5110-400 (General Repair) to DAO-04-5142-400 (Snow Removal).

Motion made by Supervisor Euvrard, **Second** by Councilman Pelkey that was;

ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL:	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

Town Board discussed public comments and suggestions of CDBG Public Hearing 9/10/09:

RESOLUTION #36 OF 2009

APPENDIX E – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2010 DUTCHESS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION.

PROJECT: AMENIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REHABILITATION INCLUDING HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY AND LEAD ABATEMENT

WHEREAS, the Town of Amenia is participating in the Dutchess County Community Development Consortium for Fiscal Year 2010, and;

WHEREAS, input from citizens and groups has been received and considered, and;

WHEREAS, an application has been prepared which addresses our community concerns.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dutchess County Community Development Consortium Fiscal Year 2010 application for the Town of Amenia including the certifications included therein by and hereby is approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the submission of said application to the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development be and hereby is authorized.

Motion made by Supervisor Euvrard, **Second** by Councilman Cayea that was;

ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

General Code

Councilwoman Perotti reported that the Town Clerk has sent revisions/updates to Local Laws to General Code. Quote for these updates will be sent to the Town of Amenia, to include the cost of **E-Code** to allow access to these documents on the Town website.

ADA Pedestrian Ramp- Harlem Valley Rail Trail

After discussion among some board members, the Town Clerk stated that at the August 20, 2009 Regular Board Meeting, she was authorized to advertise to accept Bids for the construction of a pedestrian ramp at rail trail on Old Route 22 in the Poughkeepsie Journal and Millerton News, to be received by 12 noon on Thursday, October 8, 2009. Michael Hayes, Town Attorney, reminded the town board that legal notice **must** include that the town board has the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Willow Lane

Supervisor Euvrard reported that survey of damage will be performed. Monies will be projected in 2010 Highway budget using CHIPS or FEMA monies for these repairs. Curt Colucci and Tina Mulaly, residents of Willow Lane, requested that the town board consider an application for this project under the 2010 CDBG.

AMENIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACQUISITION – PUBLIC HEARING

Scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at 7:00pm. Supervisor Euvrard will accept written comments or emails. All town board members agreed to have public hearing video taped.

Cablevision Franchise

Public Service Commission order of rules to become part of official renewal contract. Provisions will allow Town of Amenia to inspect Cablevision reports filed with FCC.

2010 Budget Workshops

Scheduled for 5:00pm on September 24, 28, 30. October 1 & 6.

MINUTES

Motion by Supervisor Euvrard, Second by Councilwoman Perotti to ACCEPT the Minutes of Town Board Business Workshop Meeting of August 13, 2009; Regular Board Meeting of August 20, 2009; and Special Executive Session Meeting (Water District Contract) of August 27, 2009.

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Professional Services – Consultants

Motion by Councilman Cayea, Second by Councilwoman Perotti to authorize Supervisor Euvrard to sign professional services contract with **Michael Soyka, Consultant.**

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Local Events announced.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Doyle congratulated primary candidates winners: Wayne Euvrard, Jim Devine, Vernon Fish and Michael Chamberlin.

Councilwoman Doyle announced that she will be attending a Climate Change Workshop. Cost to attend in the amount of \$40 was approved.

Councilman Pelkey announced that he will not seek re-election for Town Councilman in November 2009.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sharon Kroeger suggested that an economic study committee be formed.

Tom Werner stated that some residents would prefer that trees be removed (Mechanic Street project).

Motion by Supervisor Euvrard, Second by Councilman Cayea to enter **Executive Session** at 8:45pm to discuss issue of possible litigation of **Mechanic Street project** with motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Cayea, Second by Councilman Pelkey to return to **Regular Board Meeting** and **ADJOURN Regular Board Meeting** at 9:05pm with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: October 12, 2009
Approved by Town Board: October 15, 2009