

TOWN OF AMENIA  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
Thursday, October 15, 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 the passing of Katie Loughlin, member of Zoning Board of Appeals; Elliot McEldowney, former owner and editor of the Harlem Valley Times; and for our brave troops serving world-wide.

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	<b>Absent</b>
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michael Kelsey, County Legislator candidate, reported Dutchess County budget proposal: towns to assume cost for sheriff coverage and Board of Elections costs. County legislators plan to **reject** these proposals.

Marty Grossman requested updated design for the Harlem Valley Rail Trail from the Supervisor, to include hiring consultants, permits, Metro North, highway department, and private land owner.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Highway**

Supervisor Euvrard reported that Highway inventory update is required and will be reviewed by Highway Superintendent.

Eco-Systems Strategies has recommended that ground water continue to be monitored, due to a spill by DEC. An additional \$3,000 has been put in budget for Highway Department.

Councilwoman Perotti reported that Morris Associates is reviewing cost for Nelson Bridge and will send new engineering estimate.

**Water**

Supervisor Euvrard reported a problem with Well #1.

**Town Clerk**

Maureen Bonds reported new Open Burning Regulations, mandated by the NY DEC, effective October 14, 2009. No burning of leaves; twigs and brush permitted. Burning permits will no longer be issued or required.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Enhancement**

Councilwoman Doyle announced that Dance Program recital will be held at the Eugene Brooks Middle School on December 6<sup>th</sup> or December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

**Neighborhood Watch**

Ernie Lowell will submit prices for pedestrian crosswalk signs at next board meeting.

**Grants**

Michael Hagerty submitted Project Costs and Funding budget estimate in the amount of \$600,000 for the TEP (Wassaic trail to the train) grant.

**Halloween Curfew**

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to ASSIGN curfew at 8:00pm on Saturday, October 31, 2009 for those 18 years old and younger in the Town of Amenia.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	<b>Absent</b>
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 Ayes – 1 Absent

**Volunteer Videographer Assistant**

Motion by Supervisor Euvrard, Second by Councilman Cayea to APPOINT **Marco D’Antonio** volunteer Videographer Assistant for the Town of Amenia.

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	<b>Absent</b>
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 Ayes – 1 Absent

**Mechanic Street Project**

Supervisor Euvrard reported that trees have been marked and replaced by Con-Tech Construction Technology, Inc. Councilwoman Doyle referred to factual errors in the settlement agreement that should be corrected; to include signatures on agreement before releasing payment to Con-Tech Construction Technology, Inc.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to authorize Councilwoman Doyle to make factual changes to settlement agreement, Con-Tech Construction Technology, Inc. must sign agreement, then payment will be made to Con-Tech Construction Technology, Inc. in the amount of \$15,235.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	<b>Absent</b>
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 Ayes – 1 Absent

**Amenia Elementary School**

Supervisor Euvrard will meet with Task Force and Town Board to gather more information for costs and to schedule a public hearing.

**ADA Pedestrian Accessible Ramp**

Supervisor Euvrard reported that bids were opened on October 8, 2009. Councilwoman Doyle and Stanley Whitehead will review revised permit process and application. Extension reflects time period (December 1, 2009 to December 1, 2010).

**Town of Amenia 2010 Preliminary Budget**

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to Authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for **Public Hearing** on the **2010 Town of Amenia Preliminary Budget** for Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at 7:30pm at the Town Hall.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	<b>Absent</b>
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 Ayes – 1 Absent

**Budget Workshop**

Supervisor Euvrard scheduled Budget Workshop for Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 5:00pm with agreement of all town board members. Councilman Pelkey absent.

**MINUTES**

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ACCEPT the Minutes of Town Board Business Workshop Meeting of September 10, 2009, Regular Board Meeting of September 17, 2009, and Amenia Elementary School Acquisition Public Hearing on September 23, 2009.

ROLL:	Councilman Pelkey	<b>Absent</b>
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 Ayes – 1 Absent

**SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

Community Events announced.

**TOWN BOARD COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Doyle thanked Gary and Maureen Bonds for their volunteer coverage of video-taping the Walkway Over The Hudson and South Amenia Community Day event.

Councilwoman Doyle announced a workshop at Cary Institute that addresses salt usage on roads and Amenia Highway Superintendent may be attending.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sharon Kroeger made a second request for a volunteer Economic Committee to be formed.

MOTION by Councilman Cayea, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle to set up an **Economic Committee** at the January 2010 Re-organization meeting.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	<b>Absent</b>
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 Ayes – 1 Absent

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN Regular Meeting at 8:15pm with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds  
Amenia Town Clerk