

TOWN OF AMENIA
Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, June 16, 2011
Amenia Town Hall

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

Salute to the flag was conducted and salute to our brave troops serving worldwide, and a moment of silence for lost loved ones; to the families of Amenia residents; John Segalla, Bob Jasmin, Clarence “Junior” Kelsey, Betty Toombs, and Ed Rochfort of Millbrook. Also to Claudia Rinaldi, mother is in Sharon Hospital.; thoughts and prayers are expressed to the Kohl family.

Emergency Exits behind the Town Clerk and at the rear of the room behind the audience at the door entered.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #2 of 2011 TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA BY ADDING 65+/- ACRES OF LAND LOCATED ON SINPATCH ROAD TO THE SOIL MINING OVERLAY (SMO) ZONING DISTRICT.

Supervisor Euvrard **opened Public Hearing at 7:02pm** and read legal notice of **Public Hearing** published in the Millerton News on June 9, 2011 to invite all interested parties in the Town of Amenia for their input.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Donald Cappellini, Esq, representing Ridgecrest Farms, Inc, submitted letters of support to town board members.

Supervisor Euvrard read letter from Michael Hayes, Esq, Town Attorney, stating **in part**, that any action by the Town Board regarding Proposed Local Law #2 of 2011 can be taken at a later date.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to **CLOSE** Public Hearing at 7:05pm.

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

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Euvrard thanked Maplebrook School for honoring him at the President’s Breakfast Award.

David Connors stated that Nancy Brusie, Zoning Administor, advised him that she had received a verbal complaint from Councilwoman Vicki Doyle, regarding cars on his property at 14 Powder House Road –Amenia. Ms. Doyle requested date of complaint to research further. Supervisor Euvrard referred Mr.Connors to Section 82B of Town Code, regarding abandoned or unregistered vehicles. Supervisor Euvrard stated that issue is being discussed with the Zoning Administrator and Town Attorney, and that Mr.Connors will be notified. Mr. Connors would like to solicit a supporting petition on this issue from neighbors. Supervisor Euvrard will refer this inquiry to Town Attorney.

Martin Grossman, Wassaic, read letter that **Wassaic Trail to the Train** project is dormant. Town Board Members’ unwillingness to divulge information has stalled the project and frustrated the **Wassaic Trail to the Train** committee.

Theresa Farese, Wingdale, requested required procedures to open a flea market on Route 22 in Amenia. Ms. Farese was referred to Nancy Brusie, Zoning Administrator, by Supervisor Euvrard.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway

Furnace Bank Road in Wassaic, NY will be CLOSED on Saturday, August 6, 2011 from 11am to 7pm for The Wassaic Project Summer Festival.

Highway Superintendent will advertise for Bids for **Highway Roller** next week.

Willow Lane Drainage Improvements (2011 CDBG Funding)

Stanley Whitehead, Highway Superintendent submitted engineering quotes for above project:

Berger Engineering	\$39,050.00
Zarecki & Associates	\$26,700.00
Morris Associates	\$21,500.00
Laberge Group	\$14,500.00
Rennia Engineering	\$12,000.00
D.F. Wheeler Engineers	\$ 7,353.50

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer, to ACCEPT QUOTE and AUTHORIZE Stanley Whitehead, Highway Superintendent, to contact **D.F. Wheeler Engineers** to perform engineering work on the Willow Lane Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of **\$7,353.50**.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Marco D'Antonio submitted monthly water report. Storage tank overflowed due to power hit. Sump pump line ruptured and was repaired.

Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds reported that list of unpaid Amenia Property Taxes was sent to Dutchess County Department of Finance on May 31, 2011.

Town Clerk's office will be closed on June 17, 2011 for final Amenia property tax settlement payment to Dutchess County Department of Finance; and pick up of final 2011 property tax roll.

Local Law #1 of 2011, Amending Code of Ethics Law has been officially filed with NYS Department of State.

DISCUSSION:

- Roxbury Sand & Gravel Soil Mining request.
- Joint Town Board/Planning Board Meeting scheduled for June 23, 2011 – Scenic Protection Overlay. Coordinate with Joel Pelkey, Recreation, for playground maintenance at town hall location.
- Recycling Committee formed with Councilwomen Doyle and Perotti .
- Denise Davis, "Granny's Goods" submitted required documents to Town Clerk for peddler's license.
- Technical Building Services (TBS) voucher/proposal.
- Town Hall exterior painting/advertise.
- Fountain Square – install light to illuminate flag and working with current fountain pump.
- 41J NYS Retirement – unused sick leave; additional service credit for retirement.
- Driver's Safety Class – Seniors consensus: too expensive. Propose profit/non-profit rate.
- Transportation Council Workshop scheduled for July 20, 2011 from 6pm-8pm.
- Proposed Local Law for licensing precious metal and coin exchange.

COMMITTEES

Wassaic Trail to the Train Committee

Tonya Schoumatoff ,Chair, offered assistance to meet with necessary representatives; town board members; during the negotiations of design work contract for **Wassaic Trail to the Train Project**, and would appreciate the committee being informed of progress.

Ethics

Councilwoman Riemer distributed preliminary Ethics Law rules to town board members for review. Further discussion at next town board meeting.

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Councilman Cayea, AUTHORIZING the Town of Amenia Town Board to SPONSOR a **Wassaic Downtown Walking Tour** on Saturday, September 24, 2011 from 10:00am to 11:30am.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Cayea reported that committee discussed “in kind service” with other municipalities and committee will attempt to meet quarterly.

Grants

Energy Efficiency Improvement Project – NYSERDA GRANT

RFP (Request for Proposals) submitted on behalf of Michael Hagerty, Grant Writer.

Supervisor Euvrard reported that **Request for Proposals** were advertised in the **Millerton News** on June 2, and June 9, 2011, and three weeks in the **NYS Contract Reporter**.

Councilwoman Riemer opened and read proposal(s) documentation:

C.T. Male Associates, P.C. – Latham, NY	\$12,700.00
HA2F Consultants in Engineering – Clifton Park, NY	\$52,500.00

Town Board Members will review and discuss proposals with Michael Hagerty, Grant Writer.

Wassaic Trail to Train Project

Supervisor Euvrard stated that copies of **WSP Sells** contract agreement has been distributed to Town Board Members for review and Town of Amenia is still in contract negotiations. Town Board Members discussed conditions and cost for third party construction inspection in Section 9 of contract. Further discussion of design and construction inspection cost negotiations. **WSP Sells** has met with Department of Environmental Conservation. Special Meeting to be scheduled with David Weiss on June 23, 2011 at 7:00pm.

RESOLUTION #25 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CELL TOWER SAVINGS ACCOUNT FOR PURCHASED 54” BOX SCRAPER FOR USE AT THE TOWN PARKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$699.00 INTO LINE 71102.1.0.0 (AMENIA PARK-EQUIPMENT).

MOTION by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Councilman Cayea that was:
ADOPTED -VOTE

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

Town Board Business Workshop on May 12, 2011 and Regular Town Board Meeting on May 19, 2011.

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

MOTION CARRIED

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Local events announced.

Town of Amenia Business Workshop on June 9, 2011 was cancelled due to power outage.
Senior Chicken BBQ scheduled for August 13, 2011 at the Wassaic Firehouse.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Perotti proposed Amenia Transfer Station expanded hours on Saturdays from 7am- 4pm; other towns utilizing transfer station. Further research with Town Attorney.

Councilwoman Doyle reported local events.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN Regular Board Meeting at 9:23pm with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: July 18, 2011
Approved by Town Board: July 21, 2011