

TOWN OF AMENIA  
**Business Workshop Meeting**  
Thursday, August 11, 2011  
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Euvrard called **Business Workshop Meeting** to order at 7:00 pm.

Salute to the flag was conducted with moment of silence for our brave troops serving world-wide, for lost loved ones, and to the families of Richard Carroll, and Seal Team Six, lost in Afghanistan.

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Nina Peek, resident and Town Planning Board member, stated that **Roxbury Sand & Gravel** has come before the Planning Board to request proposed Town Zoning text amendment. **Applicant** invited Planning Board members to visit the site of operation. Ms. Peek submitted photographs of site, showing a 75foot pile of garbage; plastics, animal carcasses. Ms. Peek reminded the town board that site impacts the town drinking water.

**Michael Kelsey, County Legislator** reported ongoing jail studies, municipality election costs, Bond passed in the amount of \$90,000 to replace county vehicles.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Highway**

Supervisor Euvrard reported bid opening on August 10, 2011 for **Highway Material** and **Highway Vibrator Roller**. Highway Superintendent will review and report at next meeting.

**RESOLUTION #34 OF 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA TO CLOSE MYGATT ROAD AND OLD NORTH ROAD FROM 8:30AM TO 11:00AM ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2011 FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE AMENIA LIONS CLUB ANNUAL JUVENILE DIABETES WALK.**

MOTION made by Councilman Cayea, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard that was;  
ADOPTED – VOTE

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

**Water**

Councilman Cayea reported problem on Depot Hill Road. Town Board to discuss at next board meeting.

**Town Clerk**

Maureen Bonds reported that **Local Law #2 of 2011** amending Town Zoning Map – Ridgecrest Farms- Sinpatch Road has been filed with the NYS Department of State.

**Ethics Booklets** have been received from George Mudge, Ethics Chairman, for distribution to staff, committee, and board members.

Hunting license sales will begin on Monday, August 15, 2011. Doe Permit (DMP) license sales will end on October 1, 2011.

**Assessor**

Supervisor Euvrard received letter from Una Couture, requesting re-appointment as member of **Board of Assessment Review**, with letter of recommendation to town board from Ron Gazzoli, Sole Assessor.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer, to **RE-APPOINT Una Couture** as a member of the **Board of Assessment Review**.

Councilwoman Doyle stated that position should be advertised, per town policy, to allow residents to apply and serve in local government.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	<b>No</b>
	Councilman Cayea	<b>Aye</b>
	Councilwoman Perotti	<b>No</b>
	Councilwoman Doyle	<b>No</b>
	Supervisor Euvrard	<b>Yes</b>

MOTION DENIED 2 AYES – 3 NAYS

Councilwoman Doyle to send press release to Millerton News to **advertise** for volunteer on the **Board of Assessment Review**. Applications must be received by September 1, 2011.

Councilwomen Doyle and Perotti explained that **Dell Computer** for **Assessor’s office** will be shipped on August 15, 2011.

**Building**

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle to **WAIVE** the **Gathering Permit Fee** for the **World Peace Prayer Society** event on September 25, 2011.

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

MOTION CARRIED

## COMMITTEES

### Recreation

Councilwoman Perotti announced that the Recreation Commission has **ACCEPTED** the verbal **resignation** from **Ryan Killmer, Chairman**.

MOTION by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer, to **advertise** for a **Recreation Commission** volunteer, with press release to Millerton News, application on website, and published on Channel 22. Applications must be received by September 1, 2011.

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

MOTION CARRIED

### Ethics

Town Clerk will provide distribution of **Ethics Booklets** and maintain log of acknowledgments.

### Fountain Square

Councilwoman Doyle announced that **pump** will be **replaced** using grant monies.

### Grants

Councilwoman Doyle will write letter of request for an additional \$1200 to **Dutchess County Council of the Arts**. Monies would be used for Amenia Dance Program.

Supervisor Euvrard acknowledged grant monies in the amount of \$100,000 for the **Wassaic Trail to the Train** project from Senator Greg Ball's office.

### Exterior Town Hall Painting

One bid received to date. Town Board extended bid acceptance to August 18, 2011 at 12noon.

### DISCUSSION:

2012 CDBG – handicapped-accessibility, generator, highway garage  
14 Powder House Road – town agreement/Michael Hayes  
Scenic Protection Overlay to be available on website. EAF available for review/town board.  
Town Hall mailbox. Commercial or dropbox.  
Draft MOU Silo Ridge confidential/distributed to town board members.  
Gymnasium rental request for baby shower.  
Re-visit town hall business use fees.

### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Local events announced.

**Republican Primary** September 13, 2011 from 12 noon to 9 pm.

## **TOWN BOARD COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Perotti reported that 2% tax cap applies to property, not school tax.

Councilwoman Perotti received request for use of town hall gymnasium for Baby Shower in November 2011. Discussion to revisit business use fees.

Councilwoman Doyle announced local events. Suggested that letter be sent to **George Mudge**, Ethics Chairman, for his excellent work on the **Ethics Law** booklet.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Tonya Shoumatoff congratulated the volunteers for excellent work at the Wassaic Project.

Supervisor Euvrard stated that **Wassaic Trail to the Train** costs \$700,000; grant \$600,000; \$120,000 needed. Dutchess County has informed Supervisor that costs over \$480,000 will be the responsibility of Town of Amenia.

Tom Werner reported that Recreation Commission is awaiting figures from contractors for budget.

Nina Peek reported that DEC has not permitted operation on the site of **Roxbury Sand & Gravel**. DEC provided requirements to the owner for a composting operation.

Janet Reagon stated that no correspondence has been received from the town board addressing the issue of **Roxbury Sand & Gravel** operation.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to ADJOURN Business Workshop Meeting at 9:38 pm, with motion carried unanimously

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds  
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: September 6, 2011

Approved by Town Board: September 15, 2011 S/Euvrard - Absent

