

TOWN OF AMENIA
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, July 16, 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.

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	Absent
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Bonds announced his candidacy for the Town Supervisor position in the September 15, 2009 **Republican** Primary.

PRESENTATION: Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority

Supervisor Euvrard thanked all members of the Town of Amenia Wastewater Committee; Darlene Riemer, Chair; Members; Bill Flood, Tony Robustelli, Allison Hale, Brad Rebillard, Janet Reagon, Marty Grossman, and Bill Carroll.

Ed Mills- Project Facilitator, submitted an **overview** of the feasibility of developing a central **sewage collection system for the Hamlet of Amenia**; to include proposed district and boundaries as displayed and outlined on map created by Morris Associates.

Bridget Barclay-Director, explained the purpose of the DC Water and Wastewater Authority; a public benefit association governed and appointed by county legislature. The Authority serves approximately 4,000 customer accounts. The Authority has a significant amount of expertise and a full time staff to dedicate to this project. Ms. Barclay explained the process and requirements for the creation of district.

Darlene Riemer, Chair of Town of Amenia Water and Wastewater Committee, submitted letter of recommendation to the Town Board, **to become ATTACHMENT I of Regular Town Board Minutes.**

RESOLUTION #28 OF 2009

REQUEST FORMATION OF PART-COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT IN THE HAMLET OF AMENIA WITH DUTCHESS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY TO ACT AS LEAD AGENCY.

RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA REQUESTS THE DUTCHESS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY ACT AS THE LEAD AGENCY IN THE FORMATION OF A SEPARATE PART-COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT ENCOMPASSING THE SILO RIDGE RESORT COMMUNITY AND THE SILO RIDGE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, SUBJECT TO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO BE SEPARATELY EXECUTED BY THE TOWN, THE DUTCHESS COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY, AND THE SILO RIDGE RESORT COMMUNITY OWNER AND DEVELOPER.

MOTION made by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti that was;
ADOPTED - VOTE

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway

Stanley Whitehead stated that Morris Associates has reviewed site for Nelson Bridge Replacement Project and meeting with State DOT scheduled for next week.

Town Clerk – No Report

Water

Supervisor Euvrard reported that work is required on Well #1 and #4. VRI will obtain three (3) quotes and submit by next town board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation Commission

Evelyn O’Connell requested that all coaches submit their budget, as required by August 2009.. Signs are being worked on for Beekman park and will be in compliance with town regulations.

Dance Program

Vicki Doyle announced that press release will be sent for hiring one (1) Dance Instructor, and three(3) Assistants for 10 week after school dance program. Letters of interest should be submitted to Town Clerk by noon on July 31st and applicants will be scheduled for interviews on August 4th. Supervisor Euvrard suggested that Dance Assistant’s salaries be **lowered**, as discussed at prior meeting.

Community Development Block Grant – 2010 – Applications due by October 2, 2009

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to schedule Public Hearing: Suggestions for Community Development Block Grant, Thursday, September 10th, 2009 at 7:00pm. Town Clerk will advertise public notice in Millerton News classified legal section.

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

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES – 1 ABSENT

Videographer

Supervisor Euvrard suggested that substitute be trained for operation of video equipment in absence of Gary Bonds. Gary Bonds advised that an employee of the Town of Amenia has shown interest in this position. Specifics regarding operation of video and graphics for character-generator advertisements on Channel 22 could be discussed at budget time.

Enhancement

Vicki Doyle reported that Garden Club-sponsored Hidden Gardens Tour was a great success.

GRANTS

Mike Hagerty submitted update for town grants and opportunities for future grants.

Mechanic Street Project

Supervisor Euvrard reported meeting with Andy Durbridge, arborist, and Curt Johnson, Engr. Letter will be sent to Con-Tech to describe conditions of trees. Further discussion is required. Michael Hayes, Town Attorney, stated that draft agreement with Curt Johnson's comments needs to be reviewed and will then be circulated to town board members.

Neighborhood Watch

Dan Kilmer reported interest from Tally-Ho residents. Ernie Lowell reminded town board that lights at basketball court need to be repaired, and submitted latest findings of neighborhood watch committee.

MOTION by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard, to APPOINT **Josep W. Herald** to the Amenia Safety Committee.

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

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES - 1 ABSENT

RESOLUTION #27 OF 2009

AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS TO DEVELOP A NEW FARMERS MARKET IN AMENIA

PROJECT: AMENIA FARMER'S MARKET

Whereas, the Town of Amenia seeks to develop a partnership with local farmers by applying for a \$5,000 grant to help pay for professional signage and other permanent structures to support a farmer's market in Amenia; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign and submit a grant application to the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for a \$5,000 Farmer's Market grant.

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

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

Old Amenia Landfill

Supervisor Euvrard reported that Liz Rovers of CT Male submitted short and long term financing. Monies will need to be considered in budget.

Amenia Elementary School

Supervisor Euvrard reported that NYSERDA is pleased with structure of building; need further review of insulation and heating system.

Eco-Systems Strategies, Inc. will send report of Phase I site assessment.

RFP for EMS Service

Supervisor Euvrard reported that proposals will be sent to ambulance services for cost of basic service.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ACCEPT Town Board Workshop Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2009 and Regular Town Board Minutes of June 18, 2009.

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

MOTION CARRIED 4-AYES 1 ABSENT

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Dutchess County Re-Building Together Program for repairs to homes of low-income families is accepting applications. Applications due by November 2009.

Assemblyman Marcus Molinaro is supporting elimination of MTA tax.

Susan Davidson, of Friends of Seniors is researching information provided by Town of Amenia for transportation needs of wheel-chair bound or handicapped seniors.

Local events announced.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Committee meetings and activities announced.

Councilwoman Perotti congratulated Sharon Hospital in their 100th year of operation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Janet Reagon explained activities and upcoming celebration of the South Amenia Fair from Aug 14 – Aug 16, 2009.

Darlene Riemer and (Tracy Saladay) architects, would like the opportunity to meet with the AES task force to assist in a comprehensive overview of costs.

Tom Werner, representing Recreation Commission, announced commission's approval of Resolution to transfer \$2,000 from Trust Fund to Capital Projects (additional cost for playground slide), and is requesting an approved Resolution from the Town Board. Supervisor Euvrard stated that he would review information for next meeting.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN regular meeting at 8:50pm with motion carried unanimously. (Councilman Pelkey – ABSENT)

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: August 10, 2009

Approved by Town Board: August 20, 2009 Councilman Pelkey - Absent