February 18, 2010

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:30pm. All Board members were present. Also attending were OIC Haire, Atty. to the Town Replansky, Recreation Director Chase, the reporter from the Millerton News and ten members of the community.

Supervisor Pulver called the meeting to order and the pledge was done. Supervisor stated that with great remorse he asks for a moment of silence at this time in memory of Bob Harpp, Highway Superintendent, husband, Father and friend who will be greatly missed by the entire Town of Pine Plains.

Motion by Couse second by Keeler to accept the Town Clerks Report for January 2010. 5-0 passed.

Correspondence, Supervisors Report, Public Comments – Supervisor Pulver went to the Association of Towns meeting in NYC - he said that attendance was much less this year - it was down about one third. He attended informative meetings there regarding Zoning and Planning and an Employee Handbook was also discussed. He is having material regarding these sent. Councilman Lyons-Chase asked if anything stood out at these meetings and Pulver said mitigation of projects using SEQRA and also reviewing of the Comprehensive Plan. He said there is no mandate to update via a time frame. Atty. Replansky added that they recommend reviewing not necessarily updating. Lyons-Chase also asked if we get updates regarding the census. Pulver replied we get nothing.

No public comments at this time.

Motion by Keeler second by Couse to pay PPWIA bills #114-121, General bills #122-152 & 167-170, and Highway bills #153-165. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor said the Zoning Board of Appeals would like to meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm – if there is no business they will not meet.

Motion by Couse second by Keeler to amend the Annual Appointments to include this date and time for ZBA meetings. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor said Gary Keeler can not serve on the ZBA - Margo Jackson is interested. Councilman David asked if we can set up a time to meet with the interested parties, she said there are two others interested. Supervisor said yes.

Highway Superintendents Report – Pulver said he spoke with Hay and they are in full storm mode.

PPWIA Report – the leak on South Main Street has been fixed by Doug Weaver. Councilman Couse asked who does the final fix and Pulver said we work in conjunction with the State Highway crew – they use a “hot” cold patch for the final fix. He also noted that propane heat is being installed in both PPWIA building.

Councilman Keeler said the electric had been shut off there due to a Central Hudson error and is back on.

Police Department Report – all have. Councilman Lyons-Chase asked what a “UTT” is. OIC Haire replied a traffic ticket.
Supervisor thanked the local Police Department for their assistance at the services for Bob Harpp.

Atty. to the Town Report – Replansky gave all Board members a copy of the proposed tree law for their review and it can be discussed at the next Board meeting.
Replansky said any questions or comments should be sent to him. He said it should be reviewed very carefully by the Highway Superintendent and one should be given to Building Inspector Weaver for his review as well.
Replansky reviewed the proposed Local Law for the ZBA Alternate and said we can schedule a Public Hearing.
Motion by Lyons-Chase second by Keeler to hold a Public Hearing on March 18, 2010 at 8:00pm on said proposed law. 5-0 passed.
Replansky stated he has reviewed the performance standards as submitted and requested by Councilman David. He said he can develop performance standards but there is a limit as to what can be described. He asked that the Planning and ZBA Chairman be contacted and see what they have to say.
Supervisor asked if CAC has a meeting time and date. Chairman Redmond said no they are trying to accommodate the members. Replansky said we have a Council not a Committee so he will check and see if they need to do this.
At the last meeting Replansky had given the Board the contracts from Miller Assoc. and Nan Stolzenburg for consulting services for their review to act on tonight.
Motion by Keeler second by Couse authorizing Supervisor Pulver to sign both contracts. 5-0 passed.
Replansky said he has received back input from Bonnie Franson of Tim Miller Assoc. and Ann Sayler from the County regarding Affordable Housing Projects and will incorporate them and come back to the Town Board with it. Councilman David and Keeler both agreed to meet with Replansky and the Consultants. Supervisor said we will reach out to the public after it gets started.
Motion by Keeler second by Lyons-Chase to hold a Special meeting on March 16, 2010 at 7:00pm at the Community Center regarding meeting with the Consultants to discuss the “NND” pre-application for the Durst project. 5-0 passed.
Atty. Replansky urges the Board members to review said pre-application before this meeting. Replansky also has an interagency document from Consultant Nan Stolzenburg and wants to meet with the Planning Board March 10th due to “FOIL” availability. He said this document is not foilable at this time.
Replansky said his last item is the Carvel/Durst Escrow account. Dursts’ Atty. Jen VanTyle has sent Replansky her comments regarding this - Replansky said maybe by the March 16, 2010 meeting we can have an agreement.

Supervisor asked about an Oath of Office for John Forelle that was not signed in time. Replansky said to just have him sign it.
Building Inspector Report – All have.

Recreation Director Report - Jen gave all Board members the Recreation Committees recommendation for basketball and baseball directors. She said the peewee basketball is going very well; there would be one field maintenance director for baseball and two people to help with field maintenance. She added that the registration for girls and boys softball/baseball is now on line and there will also be registration at the recreation fields on certain dates.

She will give a presentation on the Triathlon at the March Board meeting. There is also a pamphlet that will be sent out. Councilman David had questions about the triathlon so Jen gave a review of time, date, events etc. and stated that it is a USA sanctioned triathlon. The Board gave their approval on the pamphlets.

Jen stated she would like to thank the family of Robert Harpp Sr. for the donations made in his memory to the Recreation Department. Supervisor explained that a special account will be set up and the Harpp family will decide what it is used for.

Town Engineer Jurkowski said he needs an aerial view map of the Recreation area. Jen informed the Board that Bev Platt and Gary Gent will be helping Hurst with the field maintenance.

Other/Questions/Public Comment – Supervisor read a proposed Resolution in support of a “Joint Applicant” with other municipalities regarding a general efficiency grant. Atty. to the Town said it should be noted that the maximum financial participation by the Town would be $300.00.

Motion by Supervisor Pulver second by Councilman David to authorize Supervisor to sign said agreement. Roll call vote of the Board was taken – all voted aye. 5-0 passed.

Jane Water asked about the “Winter Fun Day”. Jen Chase stated it will be Sunday the 21st from 1-3pm at the “Carvel “ property; there will be sleigh riding, cross country skiing and snowman building.

Deputy Supervisor Dorean Gardner said the Town Insurance company should be notified. Jen said they have release forms through lawyers too. Supervisor Pulver will give our Insurance Agent the heads up on this.

Renee’ Meryman addressed the Board at this time regarding her proposed Community Resource Center project. Discussion followed. After discussion and suggestions for other avenues for her to use Atty. to the Town Replansky stated that this really can not be done there are too much legality involved.

Councilman David said that Councilman Lyons-Chase and she will be attending a meeting in New Paltz on the 27th of February – “keeping pace with energy options”

She also asked about the Liaison list and Supervisor said he will get that to them tomorrow. David said she would like to have another meeting before the March 16th one and Lyons-Chase agrees with that. Supervisor said the March 16 meeting is the pre-application meeting. Lyons-Chase addressed the Board of Ethics for the Town stating that we currently have three (3) members – one is a Town Official and that according to the Assoc. of Towns meeting she
attended that should not be. Atty. Replansky said he will review and revise / update if necessary. Lyons-Chase said that five to seven members are recommended. Councilman David asked about the Sub-division Regulations. Replansky responded that the final round of comments are finished for B. Franson, it is being presented to the Planning Board then back to the Town Board for Local Law process.

Motion by Keeler second by Lyons-Chase to go to executive session regarding personnel, return to regular order of business and adjourn – no action to be taken. 5-0 passed.

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