June 18, 2009

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:30pm. All Board members were present. Also attending were Atty. to the Town Replansky, Consultant Bonnie Franson, OIC Lawson, Recreation Chairman Jen Chase, PPWIA Clerk of the Works Gary Keeler, eight members of the community and reporters from the Millerton News and Poughkeepsie Journal.

Supervisor Pulver called the meeting to order and the pledge was done.
Motion by Couse second by Gardner to accept the Town Clerks monthly report for May 2009. 5-0 passed.
Motion by Couse second by Butler to accept the Clerks minutes of May 21, 2009 as submitted. 5-0 passed.

Correspondence/Supervisors Report/Public Comments – Thank you note was received from the Grassi family for the flowers.
A memo stating that July is Watershed Awareness month. Motion by Gardner second by Butler to approve said Resolution for this as read. 5-0 passed.
Memo from Ray Jurkowski regarding the Twin Island Lake herbicide issue. The applicant has provided an alternative herbicide product and the applicator is waiting to hear from DEC.
Pine Plains Library submitted a letter appointing Betty Chestney as a Trustee in place of Gretchen LaGrange who resigned. Supervisor stated this would need Town Boards approval. Butler said yes the Town Board would need to approve this, however he added that Betty’s husband is also on the Library Board and they are both gone three months out of the year. Supervisor will look into this.
Supervisor stated that all Town Board members have a copy of the letter received from Tarshis.
Public Comment – Jane Waters noted that the NED Care worker is now at the new Library but her hours have changed.
Kathleen Augustine – regarding the proposed zoning they have been running various numbers – without the NND would be 493 houses, with the NND it would be 681 units, three acres would be 577. She questioned what the Town Board has for numbers and wanted to know if we are operating with different numbers. She also asked when the numbers will be given to the public. Councilman Butler stated that the Town Board is focusing on zoning and the Planning Board is focusing on the whole plan, he said we will include this matter later in the meeting in the zoning discussion. Bonnie Franson said she can send a spread sheet. Jane Waters said she is concerned about the maximum threshold.
Rosemary Lyons-Chase said she is concerned about the NND as she heard that it would be axed after completion of the Durst/Carvel project. She asked if this would set a precedent. Butler replied that zoning changes can be made in other areas.
Jane Waters – concerned with some of the wording – need to be made more specific regarding the land size requirement.
Kathleen Augustine – should Durst go forward with the NND and fail to sell the units and sells the development to someone will they have to follow the same specifications. Councilman Butler replied that yes they would. Supervisor added that what is approved is what gets built.
Sarah Jones – questions the process regarding the Town Board and Planning Board. Atty. Replansky said that co-ordination with the Planning Board has been clarified.

Recreation Report – Jen informed all the softball and baseball programs are done, the beach is opening Monday. The soccer program and the Summer Day Camp are getting ready to start. She gave Board members a list of recommendations for hiring personnel for the beach and Day Camp. She said that Marilyn Moore wants to sell food from her “cart” at the beach on weekends and asked for Board approval. All Board members agree great idea. Jen visited a triathlon – struggling with dates to hold ours, she got a lot of information from the one she visited.
She said the girls’ softball is looking for money for uniforms for their travel team. After brief discussion the Board said we can’t do anything about it.

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law #1 of 2009 – Dissolution of the Police Advisory Counsel- Supervisor Pulver opened the Public Hearing at 8:00pm.
Sarah Jones asked the history of why this counsel was formed – she feels it is always good to have over sight for the Police Department, she knows they have not been meeting but that’s no reason to dissolve.
Kathleen Augustine asked why it is being dissolved.
Councilman Butler replied that the law provides no power to enable them to do anything legally.
Sarah Jones – stated she is not against disbanding – just feels will not have any information about what is going on.
Jane Waters asked why the Counsel was excluded from power in the law.
Atty. Replansky replied that we could not invest that power to the Counsel – only the Town Board has that.
Motion by Butler second by Gardner to close the Public Hearing. 5-0 passed
Motion by Gardner second by Couse to approve Local Law #1. 5-0 passed.

Bills – Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to approve PPWIA bills #471-480 (hold #478 until sales tax issue is resolved) Highway bills #481-490 and General bills #491-519. 5-0 passed.

Highway Superintendent Report – they are finishing up Hoffman Road project, mowing, helping get the beach ready to open, put the raft in and had the gate fixed. Note was also made that John Bradley has been removing the trees and stumps from Patchins’ Mill.

PPWIA Report – Gary stated the leak in the area of the new Library has been repaired and the State fixed the road. The leak on Rt.199 near the Paige George Foundation has also been repaired and all filled back in. Pressure readings will be started next week on the hydrants and the chlorination level testing was done yesterday.

Police Dept. Report – All Board members have report and Supervisor thanks the Police Dept. for their help on Memorial Day.
Building Inspector Report – All have report. Councilman Gardner asked that the owner name and location of permit be added to the report.

Supervisor recommends hiring of the beach and day camp personnel and asked for a motion to so do. Councilman Couse objects to the pay rate for the water safety instructors – he feels no one should be paid more per hour than our Police Officers.
Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to hire as submitted the Day Camp personnel. 5-0 passed with Couse voting nay on water safety instructor pay.
Motion by Butler second by Gardner to hire as submitted the Beach personnel. 5-0 passes with Couse voting nay on water safety instructor pay.
Councilman Gardner stated that it is nice to see the same kids coming back to work 3-5 years.

Supervisor said he has talked with the Highway Superintendent about the installation of a Simplus 1054 Sulfur and Iron Unit at the highway garage. Harpp supports this being done and wishes he had known about it sooner. The cost to purchase and install this unit would be $2605.00.
Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to so approve. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Butler second by Couse to go out to bid on the list of surplus equipment as submitted by the Highway Superintendent. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor also noted the Assessors have submitted a copy of the Grievance Day report to the Board members.

Zoning Discussion took place now with the Town Board, Consultant Bonnie Franson, and Attty. to the Town Replansky. Replansky reviewed the process/changes and asked the Board to review the same internally within the next two weeks and then we will schedule a Public Hearing after that. Replansky asked that regarding the changes he would like to limit public comment during tonight’s discussion to the changes only. He also said a referral will go the Dutchess County Planning before the Public Hearing. The schedule will be a public hearing, a finding statement and vote on adoption depending on how many other changes are made it should be a couple of months to completion. Review was now done of the changes made and changes the Board wants made. At the conclusion of the discussion/review Supervisor asked if the Board members had any questions – they replied no. He asked if the public had any questions – there were none.
Pulver asked if we will need a special meeting – Replansky said two weeks to review and have ready for the July 16, 2009 meeting.

Supervisor said we will need an executive session regarding contractual issues and the Community Center.
Jane Waters asked if there will be a special meeting -- Supervisor Pulver replied no.
She also asked about clustering regarding the NND. Councilman Butler said it will be no where near as dense – the applicant will be bound to location of central cluster.
Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to go to executive session as requested by Supervisor Pulver, return to regular order of business - no action to be taken and adjourn. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor

Town Clerk

Councilman DG

Councilman GK

Councilman RC

Councilman RB