March 18, 2010

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:30pm. All Board members were present. Also attending were Town Engineer Jurkowski, Recreation Director Jen Chase, Charlie Norman, Ryan Lobruto, Atty. to the Town Replansky, Deputy Highway Superintendent Barry Hay, Reporter from the Millerton News and 10-15 members of the Community.

Supervisor Pulver called the meeting to order and the Pledge was done.

Motion by Keeler second by David to accept the Town Clerks monthly report for February 2010. 5-0 passed.
Motion by Couse second by Lyons-Chase to accept the minutes of January 21st. 2010. 5-0 passed.
Motion by Lyons-Chase second by Couse to accept the minutes of February 18th, 2010. 5-0 passed.

Recreation Report – Jen gave all Board members a copy of the Recreation Committees five year plan. Chase, Norman and Lobruto gave a report/presentation on the Triathlon. They said the “run” has been turned around due to USAT. Jen stated that we are “USAT” approved and we are insured through them as well.
Letters have gone out to the residents in the area that will be involved.
Resident Joan Redmond asked if this is advertised on the Town web site. Jen replied that now that we are approved by USAT it can be. Councilman Keeler asked about a banner for the bank for advertisement. They will look into this. The link on the web site will be www.StissingSprint.com.
Sign up sheets for volunteers will be at the Town Hall and also on the web.
A student attending tonight’s meeting said the school history teacher should be told about this as it could be used for part of their class as they are required to do community service.

Correspondence/Public Comment/Supervisors Report – Supervisor said he has a request for a proclamation.
Councilman Keeler explained this is in regard to honoring those who served in WW2, Korea, Viet Nam and the Persian Gulf.
Supervisor read proposed proclamation for “Silver Star Banner Day”. Motion by Keeler second by Lyons-Chase to approve as read. 5-0 passed.
The following correspondence was also read: letter from Friend of Stissing Landmark, and a request for a Street light at 21 Woodside Street.
Motion by Keeler second by Lyons-Chase to approve the street light installation. 5-0 passed.
Supervisor noted that all Board members now have the liaison list for 2010.

Public Comment – Susan Crossley addressed the Foil request that had been denied. Atty. Replansky replied that per Robert Freeman it can be given to the applicant before it is foilable to the public.
Councilman David read her comments regarding this. (On file)
Proposed Local Law #1 of 2010 Zoning Board Alternate - Supervisor Pulver read the legal and opened the public hearing at 8:00pm.

Att'y for Durst-Jen VanTuyl read her comments for all in attendance and stated she feels this is a worthy purpose and read her suggestions. (On file)

There were no other comments.

Motion by Lyons-Chasse second by Keeler to close the hearing. 5-0 passed.

Councilman Couse feels we should have Replansky look over Jens comments and review/edit the same. Replansky suggests waiting until the next meeting to vote on this proposed law. He will send his comments to the Board members regarding the comments from Jen, he feels most do not need to be addressed, adding this is a pretty standard proposed law.

Councilman David said she consulted Robert Freeman as did Replansky. Councilman Lyons-Chase feels our public has the right to the same information as the applicant – she does not follow the logic. Replansky replied that once it was discussed at the March 16th meeting it became foilable. Replansky said he will further discuss this matter in executive session as Att'y /Client discussion.

Councilman Couse asked if we still want to participate in the hazardous mitigation program. Councilman David asked what that is. Pulver and Couse both explained and said there is a link on the web site. Supervisor said he will handle this.

Bills – Motion by Keeler second by Lyons-Chase to pay PPWIA Bills #202-212, Highway Bills #213-225 and General Bills #226-254. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor asked the Board to approve a bill from Ibis Guzman for $340.00 for setting up the “P. A.” system for the joint meeting we had.

Motion by Couse second by Keeler to so approve. 5-0 passed.

CAC – Motion by Couse second by Keeler setting the meeting date and time for the CAC monthly meeting – it will be 2: pm the second Thursday of each month. 5-0 passed.

Supervisor Pulver brought up the proposed tree ordinance at this time, stating that the CAC has been working on this. He stated his issues are: 1. the land owner should pay for an arborist, not the Town, 2. tree replacement issue – Councilman Keeler stated that the Public Service Commission sets the rules regarding the cutting by Central Hudson and Pulver's third issue is that an inventory of trees that should be saved is needed.

Joan Redmond asked if the law can write the law with changes or if we can not write it at all. Supervisor replied we can write it, we should mark it up and give it to Replansky. Replansky stated that 4C needs to be revised and Councilman David added that 3A & C need revision. Replansky will revise and get it back to the Boards for their review for the April 8, 2010 CAC meeting.

Ethics Law – all Board members have a copy of the old law and the email that came today from the State. Replansky gave all Board members a copy of the new proposed law and information on the same.
Highway Superintendents report – Motion by Keeler second by Lyons-Chase to appoint Barry Hay Highway Superintendent. 5-0 passed.
Barry thanks the Fire Company for their help on Birch Drive regarding the flooding situation and said all is going good.
Supervisor thanks the Highway crew for everything this winter and said we are not hiring another man at this time. He also told Barry that he has to appoint a Deputy within five (5) days.
Ressiquie Road – the spelling needs to be changes for this road from Ressiguie to Ressique. – this needs to go to Replansky.
A letter was also received from NYS DOT regarding a traffic signal replacement project at the intersection of Rtes. 82 and 199. (On file)

PPWIA Report – Ray Jurkowski gave the report stating that the average daily flow is 62,000 and is down due to the leak being fixed.
He also noted that the gas heaters are up and running at the pump house. He said we will be getting quotes for tank inspections to be done this summer- we will get at least three. This usually costs $3000-4500 and is done about every ten years. We are also finalizing the North Main Street project from the Stimulus money.

Police Dept. Report – All have.

Attorney to the Town Report - Replansky read a letter regarding an affordable housing agreement between the Town and County. (On file)
Motion by Keeler second by Couse authorizing Supervisor Pulver to sign said agreement. 5-0 passed.

Shook/Syler Lease Agreement – this is for rental of the south room of the old Library from January 2010 to December 2010 at the rate of $250.00 per month for a total of $3000.00. There is a ninety (90) day option out for the Town.
Motion by Keeler second by Couse authorizing Supervisor Pulver to sign said agreement. 5-0 passed.
It was noted at this time that this room is being rented out at market value and not required presently for Municipal purposes.

Replansky read a proposed performance resolution as requested by Councilman David and gave to Board members and Clerk.

Replansky stated he needs authorization from the Board for the Town Consultants to meet with the Durst Consultants.
Councilman David stated she feels this is a new “NND” process.
Replansky replied this has been being worked on for the last four (4) years- we are not working with them to form their application. All Consultant work is charged back to the applicant per their escrow account. Town Board members should feel free to attend.
Motion by Couse second by Keeler authorizing the Town Consultants and Durst Consultants to meet. 4-1 passed. David voted nay.
Building Inspector Report – All have.

Public Comments/Questions/Other - Supervisor addressed the Town Health Insurance – he said if we change from MVP Tri-vantage to MVP High Deductable the cost would go from approximately $98 thousand to $65 thousand, saving about $25 thousand immediately. With the new plan the Town would pay the deductible for the Town covered employees only. Motion by Keeler second by Couse to approve the plan change. 4-0 passed. David abstained.

Stan Hirshon – Stan feels that a third party is need to inventory Historic buildings in Town and be authorized to enter and evaluate old buildings.
Jane Waters informed the Board that she and Sarah Jones attended a session regarding Planning and Development-“Leland Project”.
Councilman Lyons-Chase said that she and Councilman David attended a conference in New Paltz –“Keeping Pace with Energy Options for Municipalities” and it was very informative.

Motion by Lyons-Chase second by Keeler to go to executive session regarding personnel. 5-0 passed.
Motion by Lyons-Chase second by Keeler to return to regular order of business upon returning from executive session. 5-0 passed.
Motion by Lyons-Chase second by Keeler for the salary for the Highway Superintendent to be set at $47,000.00 annually effective April 1, 2010 and to be pro-rated. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Lyons-Chase second by Keeler to adjourn. 5-0 passed.

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Town Clerk

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Councilman Couse

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Councilman Lyons-Chase