

October 15, 2009

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:30pm. All Board members were in attendance. Also attending were OIC Lawson, Consultant Bonnie Franson, Recreation Director Jen Chase and seventeen members of the Community.

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

Motion by Butler second by Keeler to accept the Clerks monthly report for September 2009. 5-0 passed

Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to accept the minutes of Sept. 17, 2009 5-0 passed.

Correspondence – All Board members had a copy of the letter from Troy & Banks Inc. – it was said we should think twice before doing this again.

Motion was made by Keeler seconded by Gardner to pay them their share of the Towns savings \$23.34. 5-0 passed.

Public Comments- Becky Thorne from the Dutchess Land Conservancy addressed the Board regarding the Ag map Overlay District in the Zoning Law. She asked why the Carvel property is not covered in the Overlay District. Is this a mistake or is there a reason for it not being in it.

Councilman Butler responded that this piece of property has not been actively farmed in the last twenty years and that is why it is excluded.

Supervisor Pulver added that he and Councilman Butler reviewed this extensively before any decision was made and that it has not been actively farmed in at least twenty years.

Bills – Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to pay PPWIA Bills #802-810, Highway Bills #811 -820 and General Bills #821-839. 5-0 passed.

Local Law #2 of 2009 –Town of Pine Plains Zoning Law – Atty. to the Town Replansky addressed the Board- all have the Zoning Law in final form and the final Findings Statement – if all have reviewed and are ready to adopt he has the Resolution and will read it.

At this time Replansky read said Resolution.

Motion by Butler second by Keeler to adopt Local Law #2 and the Findings Statement as read. 5-0 passed.

Replansky stated he will file the Local Law with the Dept. of State. He said we will need to have this law printed in book form and available for people to look at/buy.

Supervisor Pulver reviewed the history that has been done to reach this Zoning Law to adoption. He gave Town Clerk and Board members a copy of this. He said the Board has been very cautious and commends all who have been involved in this Zoning process. He said we will advertise for the following positions – Zoning Enforcement Officer, Zoning Board of Appeals members and Secretary. Councilman Butler said we should also do handwritten “bills” for the positions.

Bonnie Franson will email the revised Sub-Division Regulations tomorrow to the Town.

Councilman Couse wanted it noted that two years ago he was accused of not taking a position on the zoning – he stated he has read the entire document and that he is working for the people and the best for the Town of Pine Plains.

Highway Superintendent Report – Supervisor read the recommendations from the Highway Superintendent regarding the bids received for road materials and equipment.
Motion by Couse second by Keeler to accept as recommended. 5-0 passed.
Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to rebid for the items that were not bid on for 2010 Highway materials. 5-0 passed. (on file)

PPWIA Report – Another leak was fixed, Rural Water was down and all replacement meters are in.

Atty. to the Town report – Replansky stated he had the title search done regarding the parcel behind the school – the WDAN still owns that piece of land – the Town does not. Supervisor Pulver said then that leaves us out of the loop.

Supervisor stated the Town has received a written agreement between the new Library and the Town. Replansky said he will contact Kirchoff Construction to make sure all local contractors are paid.

Police Dept. Report – all have monthly report.
Letter of resignation was received from Brian Denton.
Motion by Butler second by Gardner to accept. 5-0 passed.

Building Inspector Report – all have
Councilman Couse questioned the fireplace reconstruction permit; Supervisor said he could check with the Building Inspector, it is all NYS building Code regulated.

Recreation Report – Director Jen Chase said we are headed into a busy time again, Peewee basketball, then softball and baseball. The Recreation committee has finished up their budget workshop and they are advertising for a baseball director and someone for field maintenance. They are also working on setting up a Town bus trip to the Christmas Spectacular and winter fun activities for the kids.

Motion by Gardner second by Keeler to appoint Drew Weaver Zoning Enforcement Officer and Code Enforcement Officer. 5-0 passed.

Motion by Gardner second by Butler to hold a Public Hearing Nov. 5, 2009 at 8:00pm for the 2010 Town Budget.

A letter was received from Nancy House regarding a request for lowering the speed limit and a flashing light at the bus stop at her home. Copies of this request will be given to Town Engineer and Attorney for their review.

Councilman Keeler asked about the dumpster at the ball field bill. Supervisor explained we had not been billed for the last two years and we are now on automatic cancellation.

Joan Redmond – complaint about tree trimming – She said the Town has been taking down trees on 82 – not Town owned, privately owned -don't destroy them. She also requests that the Town research or limit the amount of salt that is put on the roads by the Town in the winter. Supervisor responded that we are at a minimum now that we put on. She also asked to continue to advertise for CAC members. Brian Coons stated that the County CAC does public education.

Motion by Gardner second by to meet with Town Atty. for Client legal advice in Executive Session return to regular business, no action to be taken and adjourn.

Town Clerk

Supervisor _____

Councilman Gardner _____

Councilman Butler _____

Councilman Couse _____

Councilman Keeler _____