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The Town Board Meeting was held on December 10, 2007 at 7:50pm, immediately following the Public Hearings on proposed Local Laws 4 & 5.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Duke	Councilman Gray	Councilman Miller
Councilman Santosky	Councilman Spano	Town Clerk Sommer
Attorney Futerfas		

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: No comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray to approve the following minutes as submitted:

November 1, 2007	Continuation of Public Hearing LL #4 & #5
November 1, 2007	Town Board Meeting
November 7, 2007	Town Board Budget Workshop Meeting
November 8, 2007	Budget Hearing
November 28, 2007	Audit/Workshop Meeting

Seconded by: Councilman Miller Unanimously approved

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Filed with the Town Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Letter from Wilma DeJager, Food Pantry Chairperson re: update on Food Pantry's activities. (read letter aloud)  
Letter from Mark D. Morano, Civil Engineer, NYSDOT re: traffic study on intersection Rt. 209 and Mettakahonts Road.  
Letter from Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan, Ellenville to District #1 Legislators re: Ulster County Services. The Town of Wawarsing and the Village of Ellenville are in discussion with the YMCA to incorporate all youth and recreation programs under one umbrella administered by the YMCA. (our Town's involvement in the Kerhonkson pool)

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE:

Resolution changing our #2 Fuel vendor from Bottini to Kosco.

LEGAL MATTERS: No report.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Supervisor Duke and the Councilman shared the highlights of the meetings they attended as liaisons and committee members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: Highlights were shared.

RESOLUTIONS:

#35-2007 RESCINDED:

Resolution #142-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board rescind Resolution #35-2007 as the 2008 revaluation will be postponed due to information received on the status and health of the Assessor's office.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Unanimously approved

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DESIGNATION OF FEMA MONEY:

Resolution #143-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board accept \$3,461.12 dated 10/29/07 from FEMA for work on Town wide streets from the severe storms and inland and coastal flooding of April, 2007, to be submitted into line DA-4960, Federal Emergency Work.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Unanimously approved

Resolution #144-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board accept \$5,891.03 dated 10/29/07 from FEMA for work on City Hall Road from the severe storms and inland and coastal flooding of April, 2007, to be submitted into line DA-4960, Federal Emergency Work.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Unanimously approved

Resolution #145-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller that the Town Board accept \$5,955.12 dated 11/9/07 from FEMA for work on Friedlander Drive from the severe storms and inland and coastal flooding of April, 2007, to be submitted into line DA-4960, Federal Emergency Work.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Unanimously approved

Resolution #146-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board accept \$16,688.99 dated 11/9/07 from FEMA for work on Ridgeview Road and Cherry- town Road from the severe storms and inland and coastal flooding of April, 2007, to be submitted into line DA-4960, Federal Emergency Work.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Unanimously approved

Resolution #147-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board accept \$82,353.27, dated 11/13/07 from FEMA for work on Dug Road, Baker Road, Schroon Hill Road, Rochester Center Road, Waterfalls Road and Schwabie Turnpike from the severe storms and inland and coastal flooding of April, 2007, to be submitted into line DA-4960, Federal Emergency Work.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Unanimously approved

2008 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING SCHEDULED:

Resolution #148-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board schedule the 2008 Organizational Meeting for 1/3/08 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall with the Town Board Meeting immediately following and further authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise same.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Unanimously approved

RESIGNATIONS & APPOINTMENTS:

The Town Board received three resignations; Steven Fornal, Planning Board, Robert Godwin, Alternate Planning Board, and Alan Bendelius, Board of Ethics.

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Resolution #149-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller that the Town Board appoint Robert Rominger to the Planning Board, the term to expire 12/31/2012.

Seconded by: Supervisor Duke

Motion carried 3-0  
Gray - abstained  
Santosky - nay

Resolution #150-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller that the Town Board appoint Donald H. Dunn, Alternate member of the Planning Board, the term to expire 12/31/2008.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Motion carried 3-0  
Gray - abstained  
Santosky - nay

Resolution #151-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller that the Town Board appoint Paul D. Shaheen to the Board of Ethics, the term to expire 12/31/2008.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Motion carried 3-0  
Gray - abstained  
Santosky - nay

OLD BUSINESS:

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray to dissolve all committees.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Discussion: The other Board members felt this was not a wise decision.

Motion not carried  
Gray - aye  
Miller - nay  
Santosky - nay  
Spano - nay  
Duke - nay

NEW BUSINESS:

Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan:

Greg Finger, consultant and Supervisor Duke gave a presentation of the plan to date. Also discussed was the letter to be forwarded along with the plan to the incoming administration.

Resolution #152-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board approve the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Unanimously approved

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Resident and former Assessor spoke regarding the assessment of the Mohonk Spa and their tax exempt status.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller that the Town Board enter into executive session at 8:55pm to discuss a personnel matter regarding the Assessor's office.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Unanimously approved

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A Motion was made by Councilman Miller to reconvene the meeting with the Supervisor reporting no action was taken, nor monies expended.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Unanimously approved

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller requesting that within 90 days, the Assessor produce further documentation regarding the status of the Assessor's office.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Unanimously approved

RESIGNATION:

Councilman Miller submitted his letter of resignation as Councilman to Town Clerk Sommer, effective 12/12/2007 at 8:00am.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Councilman Santosky to adjourn the meeting at 9:35pm.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Unanimously approved

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica I. Sommer  
Town Clerk/RMC