

The Town Board Meeting was held on March 1, 2007 at 7:10pm, immediately following the previous public hearing.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Duke	Councilman Gray	Councilman Miller
Councilman Spano	Deputy Town Clerk Dennin	Attorney Kopowitz

ABSENT:

Councilman Santosky

VETERAN'S PARK PRESENTATION:

Alice Cross, Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission spoke about the project and then introduced Nancy Copley, local architect, who has generously donated her time in designing the plan for the park. Several questions from the audience were answered.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION MATTERS:

Supervisor Duke read a statement relating to the interviewing process of a potential appointment to the Historic Preservation Commission. Her statement is filed with the Town Clerk.

Resolution #49-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Spano that the Town Board appoint Manuela Mihailescu to the Historic Preservation Commission, the term to expire December 31, 2009.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

February 1, 2007	Town Board Meeting
February 7, 2007	Special Town Board Meeting
February 21, 2007	Audit/Workshop Meeting

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Motion carried 4-0
 Santosky - absent

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Filed with the Town Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE: Filed with the Supervisor.

LIAISON & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

RESOLUTIONS:

Public Hearing re: Chapter 78 of the Town Code:

Resolution #50 - 2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board schedule a Public Hearing for proposed Local Law #2-07 to delete the present Chapter 78 of the Town Code on Building Construction and adopt a new Chapter in its place to include Fire Safety and Property Maintenance Inspections on 4/5/07 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall and further authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise same.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

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BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT/TOWN PROPERTY:

The Town recently reconfigured the intersection at Rochester Center Road and Queens Highway, resulting in the abandonment by the Town of the former Town right of way including a parcel of land consisting of .119+/- acres adjacent to the lands of Stuart F. Warshawer & Claudia F. Warshawer. By the Town granting this Right of Way, this couple can now directly access Rochester Center Road.

Resolution #51-2007

A Resolution was made by Councilman Gray, seconded by Councilman Spano that

WHEREAS, the Town has recently modified Rochester Center Road near Queens Highway, and

WHEREAS, the reconfiguration has resulted in the abandonment by the Town of the former Town right of way including a parcel of land consisting of .119+/- acres adjacent to the lands of Stuart F. Warshawer and Claudia F. Warshawer, and

WHEREAS, the adjacent property owners have commissioned a survey describing the .119+/- acre parcel in question;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the .119+/--parcel of land abandoned by the Town along the former Rochester Center Road be transferred to the adjacent land owners, Stuart & Claudia Warshawer and that the Town Supervisor be authorized to execute all documents necessary to transfer title.

This resolution is subject to a permissive referendum pursuant to Town Law, section 64(2) and the Town Clerk is directed to post and publish an appropriate notice.

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

DESIGNATION OF TOWN PROPERTY FOR VETERANS PARK:

Resolution #57-2007

A Resolution was made by Councilman Gray, seconded by Councilman Miller that

WHEREAS, the Town of Rochester has previously elected to make available certain town property for the construction and maintenance of a Veteran's Park, and

WHEREAS, the Town's Historic Preservation Commission will oversee the project and the Town will oversee the maintenance of said property;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that a Veteran's Park be constructed and maintained on the .345 acre parcel of land set forth on the annexed legal description.

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

GENERATOR BIDS FOR TOWN HALL:

Resolution #53-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller that the Town Board seek bids for one (1) completely automatic "Stand By" Generating System for the Town Hall Building; bids to be received on or before 3/28/07 at 10:00pm at the Town Clerks Office at which time they will be opened and read aloud, and further authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise same.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

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NOMINEES FOR COALITION OF WATERSHED TOWNS:

Resolution #54-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board nominate Robert Cross, Shandaken Supervisor, Jeremy Wilbur, Woodstock Supervisor for the two year position and Olive Councilwoman Olive Burkhardt, Olive Councilman Henry Rank for the alternate position for the Coalition of Watershed Town's Executive Committee.

Seconded by: Councilman Miller

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

AWARENESS GROUP FORMED:

Resolution #55-2007

A Resolution was made by Councilman Gray, seconded by Councilman Miller that

WHEREAS, the AWARENESS group was formed in October, 2006 and run as a pilot program for 3 months to curb the underage drinking and substance abuse in our youth, and

WHEREAS, it has seen a great success in attracting youth ages 12 to 18 to come together and complete projects to enhance and develop their knowledge and self worth, and

WHEREAS, no other program uses the format of peer mentoring with the older youth mentoring the younger age groups and all participating in functions to promote substance free fun and break the underage drinking cycle,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED TO, support the funding efforts being requested from Honorable John Bonacic, Honorable William Larkin and Honorable Assemblyman Clifford Crouch, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED TO send a letter of support to Governor Elliot Spitzer, Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno and Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver.

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

ULSTER COUNTY BID OFFER FOR FUEL RECEIVED:

Resolution #56-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town participate in the County Bod for 89 Octane Gasoline, Diesel Fuel, Propane and Fuel Oil from May 1, 2007 to April 30, 2008 and further authorizes the Supervisor to submit the appropriate paperwork.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

YOUTH COMMISSION INTERVIEW SCHEDULED:

Resolution #57-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board interview Jessica Knapp on 3/28/07 at 5:30pm for an appointment to the Youth Commission.

Seconded by: Councilman Spano

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

PERMANENT APPOINTMENT:

Resolution #58-2007

A Motion was made by Councilman Spano that the Town Board appoint Valerie Weaver to permanent status as Assistant Recreational Director as per her successful completion of the Civil Service Exam.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

OLD BUSINESS:

TRANSFER STATION ROOF/BUILDING REPAIR:

Councilman Spano and Supervisor Duke will develop specs so this project can go out for bids.

BACKGROUND CHECKS:

Supervisor Duke followed up on where we are in the process of implementing this procedure.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Miller requested that Councilman Santosky re-visit with Time Warner for projections of work completion.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Several audience members spoke regarding the concerns surrounding the Town Board's process of appointments and execution session procedures.

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by Councilman Miller to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Motion carried 4-0
Santosky - absent

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica I. Sommer
Town Clerk/RMC