

A Public Hearing was held on November 10, 2005 at 7:00pm regarding the 2006 proposed budget.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Duke
Councilman Ryan

Councilman Gray
Councilman Santosky

Councilman Hornbeck
Town Clerk Sommer

Supervisor Duke welcomed everyone to the meeting and Councilman Ryan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Supervisor Duke presented the 2006 Budget and a short power point program (filed with the Town Clerk). After the presentation, participants had the opportunity for comments and questions.

Representatives of the Kerhonkson-Accord First Aid Squad requested an additional \$5000, bringing the total of Town support to \$20,000. This additional increase will help defray their expenses.

President of the Squad, Richard Bekel also spoke on behalf of the Squads request.

Highway Superintendent Kelder spoke regarding his budget and requested that monies be added back in the personnel lines.

Marijane Knudsen said a few words on behalf of the First Aid Squad.

Carl Chipman requested the availability of First Aid and CPR training. The Squad offers training every month. Information regarding his request will be included on the WEB site.

Marge Bonner asked what other funding sources the First Aid Squad implements.

Stanley Hudson, Max Finestone and Betty Kawalchuck also spoke on behalf of the First Aid Squad.

Martha Tardibuono suggested monies earmarked for the Stone Ridge Library go to the Squad.

No further comments.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:

A Motion was made by Councilman Hornbeck to close the Public Hearing at 7:45pm.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Unanimously approved

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica I. Sommer
Town Clerk/RMC

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The Town Board Meeting was held immediately following the public hearing on the proposed 2006 budget.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Duke	Councilman Gray	Councilman Hornbeck
Councilman Ryan	Councilman Santosky	Town Clerk Sommer

Public Comment:

Victoria Capella spoke to a concern she has with her neighbor digging a trench/ditch and putting in pipe to divert water from his property on to the road. Mrs. Capella said the problem exists because the ditch is being dug on her property and that the water goes onto the road. She has spoken to Wayne Kelder and Doug Dymond regarding this problem. She said she wants this on record that if anything happens to her, the Town is liable.

Bill DeGraw, Planning Board member shared with the Board a new law regarding a shared municipal services incentive awards from the UC Planning Board and a grant that the Town could possibly apply for. The grant requires a 10% match from the Town.

He also announced an upcoming training on Housing sponsored by the County Planning Board on November 14, 2005 at 7:00pm.

Marijane Knudsen also spoke to this training saying all were welcome and there was no charge.

Britton Baker announced that the Scenic Byway has been officially approved by the State and will become part of the State-wide byway. This was 5 years in the making he said. He also commented that it was nice to see so many people at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A Motion was made by Councilman Ryan to approve the following minutes as submitted.

October	6,	2005	Town Board Meeting
October	17,	2005	Budget/Workshop Meeting
October	26,	2005	Audit/Workshop Meeting
November	3,	2005	Budget/Workshop Meeting

Seconded by: Councilman Gray Unanimously approved

Supervisor's Report - filed with the Town Clerk.

Correspondence Received:

E-mail from Mr. & Mrs. Capella re: neighbor putting a ditch on her land.
E-mail from Richard Demorest re: cars for sale on Town property.

Supervisor's Update:

Supervisor Duke gave highlights from the Audit/Workshop Meeting. (See pages 3294 & 3295).

LEGAL MATTERS:

Attorney Christiana reported that Suburban Propane withdrew their action against the Town of the Tax Certiorari. She also reported that Giles Edwards has signed appropriate papers and they have been sent to Supreme Court to be signed. This is regarding Mr. Edwards clean up of his property.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Planning Board/Fire Company - Councilman Hornbeck presented the highlights and reported that the Fire Commissioners Board election will be held on December 13th from 6 to 9pm at the Accord Fire Hall and Rochester #2 Fire Hall on Samsonville Road.

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ZBA/Historic Preservation Commission, Assessor's Office & Grant Research & Writing Committee - Councilman Gray shared the highlights and reported the next ZBA meeting is 11/9/05.

He also shared that the Accord sign may be replaced, and the Historic Preservation adopted the NYS Preservation League Model Local Law, Section 3. Designation of Landmarks or Historic Districts. A Whitfield Historic District will be established. The Veterans Honor Roll was discussed as was the establishment of a small park similar to Rosendale's. Mr. Gray also shared that 35 property transfers were recorded in October. He is reviewing the possibility that a NS grant may be available to towns making all tax parcel information available to local tax payers.

Youth Department/Community Center/Transfer Station - Councilman Ryan reported that 100 children attended the Haunted Barn and 70 attended a dance on 10/28/05. On Thanksgiving Day the Center will serve Dinner from 11 to 2pm. A new furnace has been installed at the Transfer Station.

Code Enforcement - Supervisor Duke shared the highlights

Cost of Community Services Study Report - Councilman Gray said the report is in final review.

Real Property Tax Committee - Councilman Gray said four meetings were held and a Power Point presentation was prepared. About 30 tax payers attended each session. Recognition was given to Assessor Hornbeck for all her efforts.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #154-2005

Schedule 2006 Budget Adoption Meeting

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board schedule a meeting on November 14, 2005 at 9:00am for the adoption of the 2006 Budget and authorize the Town Clerk to post said meeting.

Seconded by: Councilman Ryan Unanimously approved

Resolution #155-2005

Transfer of Highway Funds

A Motion was made by Councilman Gray that the Town Board approve the transfer of Highway funds \$47,233.28 from DA3501 State Aid (FEMA) to DA5110.4 General Repairs contractual line and \$4000 from DA3501 State Aid (FEMA) to DA5130.4 Machinery contractual line.

Seconded by: Councilman Santosky Unanimously approved

Resolution #156-2005

Snow Removal Services Agreement

A Motion was made by Councilman Hornbeck that the Town Board accept the Contract for Snow Removal Agreement to be raised from \$65.00 per hour to the rate of \$70.0 per hour for sanding and plowing and authorizes Supervisor to sign said contract.

Seconded by: Councilman Gray Unanimously approved

Resolution #157-2005

Road Maintenance Agreement/DHL

A Motion was made by Councilman Ryan that the Town Board accept a Road Maintenance Agreement with DHL Excavating Corporation for a private road off Granite Road and authorizes the Supervisor to sign said document.

Seconded by: Councilman Hornbeck Unanimously approved

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Old Business - none

New Business:

Mohonk sent a news release regarding Prescribed Burn Scheduled for Shawangunks between November 15th and December 16th. The burns are planned for up to three open fields at the Mohonk Preserve and one five-acre forested area at Sam's Point Preserve.

Public Comment:

Kathy Kuthy remarked how the community was involved in the recent campaign and she also said the up-coming Fire Commissioners Board election - that the deadline for application/letter of intent is November 24, 2005.

Carl Chipman asked how one found out the candidates qualifications - he was told to get in touch with the Fire Company.

Shane Ricks recommended that the Fire Company does not make this political.

Wayne Kelder shared with the Board that the no passing lines had been painted on Route 209 as per our request. These locations are by Airport Road and Route 209 by Kelder's Farm.

Max Finestone asked why the Town roads did not have lines on them.

Wayne Kelder answered that if you do one road all have to be done. He also shared that at this time the cost is prohibited.

Councilman Gray suggested that a cost estimate be done.

Martha Tardibuono asked about the snow removal contract that was approved. It was explained that the contract is on an as needed basis, and the contractor uses his own equipment and a truck that will reach into small areas.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Seconded by: Councilman Gray

Unanimously approved

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica I. Sommer
Town Clerk/RMC