

A Town Board Meeting was
held on June 30 @ 7:00 PM
at the Town Hall

Presiding: Supervisor Bellows

Attending: Councilman Gill, Councilwoman Briggs, Councilwoman Hyman, Highway
Superintendent Russell, Transfer Station Craven, six member of the public.

Resolution # 2008-110

Offered by Councilwoman Hyman

Motion to accept the minutes

Seconded By Councilwoman Briggs

BE IT RESOLVED TO accept the May minutes.

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2008-111

Offered by Councilwoman Briggs

Claims and Vouchers

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board accept the audited voucher listed on Warrant # 08 06
dated 06/27/2008 in the total amount of \$205,912.60

Charged as follows:

General Fund \$ 70,438.48

Lighting: \$ 530.33

Capital Projects: H \$82,540.72

Highway Fund: \$ 49,209.33

Trust & Agency: \$ 3193.74

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2008-112

Offered By Councilwoman Briggs

Supervisor Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Supervisors report.

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2008-113

Offered by Councilwoman Briggs

Town Clerks Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Town Clerks Report.

ALL VOTED AYE

TOWN BOARD BUSINESS

1. Explore NY update-Historian Deana Decker is looking at getting the Myer Elem involved is some type of activity, recreating what was done in 1959. There was a play done by the entire school.

2. Update on Bristol Hill drainage- We received the contract from CWC and Supervisor Bellows is reviewing it and will sign it and send it back so we can start the drainage project. We also started Suda project. Hook and Walnut are currently waiting for some easements to be signed off and hopefully by the end of this month we'll be moving on that project.

3. We were told by the Highway Superintendent at the agenda meeting that we are going to start blacktopping in July and the sooner we get started hopefully we'll keep the costs down.

4. Our zoning revision committee has received data and a couple of questions that were asked at the public hearing; Supervisor Bellows has distributed that information to everybody on the board. At the agenda meeting we will be able to discuss it a little bit more and hopefully vote at that time. We will be looking at part 2 of the Zoning sometime in August.

5. Supervisor Bellows read Judge Groelle's letter. She was grand marshal at the parade. I want to thank all of you involved in sharing and making Memorial Day 2008 a memorable occasion for me. To borrow from the commercial "It was priceless" and a day I will always cherish. The part that you may or may not know is that everyday working with or being of

service when I could be to people such as you was always a priceless opportunity for me. I'll find a prominent place on my wall for this lovely plaque. Sincerely, Tina

6. Hurley Library update – Brinnier and Larious is doing the survey, the problem was that evidently there was that plot of land owned by the Vinsickle's and it started to get divided up. There was no real proper survey that's on file. Once that's complete we'll be able to give possession of the Library.

7. The mortgage tax this time was \$98,209.32 versus the last time in that same time period was \$134,878.11. That's quite a drop. I'm sure we are going to see a drop in the Sales Tax. There are currently two properties that are "bank owned" right now that are going up for sale.

8. Ulster County has received \$2 Million for the flood buyout and unfortunately they are targeting homes of \$250,000 or less. The preference will be given to homes appraised at less than \$150,000 and have had 2 or more flood events since April 2004. Most of the homes in Hurley that were affected in 2005 not much in 2006 then the previous one was 1987. But the 14 homes affected would probably bring more than \$250,000. We will probably be looking for a second round of funding before anyone in Hurley would be eligible for those kinds of monies.

9. Ulster County Transportation Council met on June 10th. Supervisor Bellows asked that the Highway send a representative to the meetings in the future and report back to the board what's going on.

10. The rail trail grant which has gone to TEP, a walkway by the elementary school, etc., has been submitted and we await a response.

11. The highway medical is coming due in September, Supervisor Bellows met with the union once and they are going to have another meeting and the Town Board will be invited also. We'll look at what plans are available and what recommendations are made.

12. Supervisor Bellows passed out last week an insurance benefit for the town employees at no cost to the town. This would simply be that someone could set up independently with the insurance group and get a group discount. Anyone who wants to get involved can contact the Supervisors secretary Dale.

13. Preservations Committee will be meeting on July 9th at 7:00 PM

14. June 7, 2008 was Rail Trail Day. Wally Cook was involved along with a number of organizations were there to help celebrate. Unfortunately, it was over 94 degrees that day and only about 100 or so visitors came. But it was a start and hopefully it will grow and become an annual event.

15. We received the paperwork for \$15,000 grant from Senator Bonacic. We are going to look through it and see what it can be used for.

16. Summation on Millbrook Ave. from Glen Hoffstatter, his view at this point is that it has become a neighbor-neighbor situation and has advised the Town at this time that we should not be involved because we don't have jurisdiction.

17. The OWB law was a great start. Councilwoman Hyman will be working with her group to format the amendments that she feels needs to be done with this local law and get those done by August. She will bring it to the Board and see if we need to have a public hearing.

18. The Route 28 scenic byway organization is going to do a short presentation at the July agenda meeting. They will be giving us two resolutions that the other towns have passed.

19. The VFW presented the town with a new flag on June 14 which was Flag Day.

20. July 12 is Old Stone House Day. The hours are 10 to 4.

21. Wally Cook passed along a letter about concerns of signage within the town and there appears to be a number of them that are in not so good shape. He is asking for some help from

the highway department. Superintendent Russell will get in touch with Wally Cook and get a target budget and report back to the town board.

22. We received the drawings for the tennis courts. We will have Brinnier and Larios put out a bid for these tennis courts and see what kind of dollars we are looking at.

23. We had received a call from DEC regarding an issue on Russell Road about a type of septic system which is not common anymore. Glen is going to talk to the residents and find out how many are using this system or if they've gone ahead and have their own septic tank. Brinnier and Larios will also be looking at it and then they will get back together with the DEC and find out what direction these people need to go. He will keep the board up to date on these meetings.

24. Supervisor Bellows attended a meeting of shared services of the 20 towns there were 11 towns signed on. I'm not quite sure why towns would not sign on because it really is a way for towns to save with the County on pooling some type of services. Supervisor Bellows feels the way that expenses are going, revenues are dropping, and that it's going to make a lot of sense to continue to look into this area. He will keep everybody up to date.

25. We had a town taxpayer come into our office about an accident with their child on the rail trail and we are going to take a look at this. They have insurance but the injuries were a little more severe and ask if the town's insurance would cover part of it.

26. Supervisor Bellows received an email from Ray Bryant, Chief of Police at SUNY New Paltz. There is a scam going on, a jury duty scam. They ask for your social security number and birth date.

Resolution # 2008-114

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

Bookkeeper Services

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED to keep the bookkeeping services of Sickler, Torchia, Allen and Churchill CPA, PC till 12/31/2008.

ALL VOTED AYE

FROM THE FLOOR

1. Phil Sinagra suggested an electronic speeding sign for Griffin Drive to help with the speeding problem.
2. Ernie Meyer asked who was paying for Hurley Library survey.
3. Roy Hochberg suggested we ask the Library to pay for the survey.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Councilman Gill, seconded by Councilwoman Hyman and all voted aye.

Judy Mayhon, Town Clerk