

A regular meeting of the
Town Board was held at
Hurley on May 27, 2008 @
7:00 PM

Presiding: Supervisor Gary Bellows

Attending: Councilman John Gill, Councilwoman Karin Horner, Councilwoman Kate Hyman
Councilwoman Briggs

Also present: Highway Superintendent Clyde Russell, Building Inspector Glen Hoffstatter,
James Craven, 30 members of the public.

Resolution # 2008-95

Offered by Councilman Gill

Motion to accept the minutes

Seconded by Councilwoman Briggs

BE IT RESOLVED TO accept the April minutes.

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution # 2008-96

Offered by Councilwoman Horner

Claims and Vouchers

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board accept the audited vouchers listed on Warrant #
08 05 dated 5/21/08 in the total amount of \$205,623.66

Charged as follows:

General Fund \$156,837.42

Total Highway Fund: \$37,620.70

Lighting: \$557.12

Trust & Agency: \$2278.42

Capital Projects: H \$8330.00

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution# 2008-97

Offered by Councilwoman Briggs

Supervisors Report

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Supervisor report.

ALL VOTED AYE

Resolution #2008-98

Offered by Councilwoman Horner

Town Clerks Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

Be it resolved to accept the Town Clerks Report

ALL VOTED AYE

TOWN BOARD BUSINESS

1. Supervisor Bellows received notification from the Ulster County that we are in need of a public hearing in the month of June regarding our participation in the MS4. The Town Board will get the documentation and we'll have a public hearing in the month of June.

2. There was a meeting of the Lower Esopus Group that councilwoman Hyman attended. Basically it was to review the DVD that was done of the Esopus from helicopter. It is being edited to put on the Town website so that everybody can look at it and it gives a very good view. The next stake holder's meeting for the Lower Esopus is on June 19. It is open to anybody that is interested. It's primarily to do with flooding and mitigating the flooding. There is also a meeting on June 10 which is at the Rosendale Recreation Center and it's about the flooding of two watersheds Rondout and the Esopus.

3. We have a meeting scheduled for Thursday at 6pm and this will be a public hearing on the zoning revision committee and basically this is just taking the current zoning that we have and there are some typos or incomplete information that should be added. Some names were mentioned in the body of the zoning and then left out of the chart so that when you refer to the charts it's not in there. This is the zoning revisions committee recommendations to the Town Board and then we're going to read them out so that we can comment.

4. Supervisor Bellows mentioned at the agenda meeting that there was a letter in the freeman about that the City of Kingston. It wasn't quite what Don Wade from Miami, FL had thought it would be. He was told to come and visit historic Kingston. "I also visited Hurley that I thoroughly enjoyed it, Hurley was simply clean and beautiful" so that was really nice to have him put in that little extra at the end of his letter about Hurley.

5. For those of you who attended the parade, we had a wonderful parade. Judge Groelle was the Grand Marshall. She wanted everybody to how grateful she was to be picked. Supervisor Bellows wanted to specifically thank Deb Oakley who for a first year taking over for Viola did a tremendous job and also thank the Rec dept.

6. National Trails Day is coming up on June 7th from 10-2 on our trail.

7. There is an Ulster County non-motorized advisory committee meeting on June 10th at 5:30 at New Paltz Boces for any town board members who want to attend.

8. We have received a 50C charitable organization called northern Ulster dollars for scholars and they are going to have a scholarship awards dinner on June 8th at the New World Home Cooking and that is going to be the Onteora High School Class of 2008 distinguished student award. It says available to any college bound student graduating from Onteora High School in June 2008. The cost of dinner is \$50 and \$25 for students and the money goes towards awards for next year.

9. Councilman Gill commented on the drainage. We're still waiting on Mr. Darwak to get the easement out there on Hook and Walnut. We going to have to get to together with the County and look at Zandhook and then we have to look at Orchard Street. Brinier and Larios are working on Birch and Braun St. and we have a little job to do on 75 Cedar Street, a half-day's work.

10. There was a workshop held by Sen. Bonasic in the Town of Ulster for the flood buy out program. Not only is \$2 million way short of an amount of money because just in Hurley we have 14 homes that have the Esopus run through them. The qualifications are your house has to be worth \$250,000 or less, second combined income for the family if you have 2 children is 107,000 that's the most that you can make to qualify for the program. They're not going to start off at the \$250,000 level. They are going to start at the lower level because when a flood goes through a mobile home it really wrecks havoc. The program is a good program and maybe if it works out well this year next year the governor will see fit to put more money into it.

12. Sales tax revenue for the Town of Hurley from March 1st to May 31st was \$31,945.88

13. There was a meeting on the shared municipal services within the county. Several of the towns have joined in to see how we can lower costs for all taxpayers. There is a booklet which we will circulate within the Town Board and Highway Superintendent.

14. Williams Lane update: Our town attorney only had one piece of paper from this case. The previous town attorney did not turn over the files that he had been working on so we have a phone call to the former attorney asking for him to drop off the files to the town hall. At this point the planning board and zoning board has been able to piece in a couple of the pages and we are looking forward to receiving that file back so we can help Mr. DeSantis.

15. Councilwoman Hyman went to a meeting of the Town Supervisors along Route 209. There's a grant that has been in effect for the last 2 years for \$500,000 to start studying Route 209 and how it can be developed in to a destination spot. Its just starting up again, as it has been dormant for a while. Part will be traffic study the other being zoning...it'll definitely be something where businesses will be encouraged to be on route 209 but there will be very strict guidelines as to what the business look like. It's a great program.

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Dave Baker gave the Town Board a 400th Anniversary explore NY pamphlet. He read the benefits for the town to belong to this explore NY 400Community program. 1.)To be listed on the Explore NY 400 website and promotional material. 2.) To receive a 3x5 flag from the Quadra-centennial Logo and official certificate and Quadra-centennial Poster. 3.)Have permission to use the Quadra-centennial Logo on our website. Community responsibilities—1. Adopt an explorer NY 400 community resolution and submit it to the HFCQ Commission 2 . Establish a 2009 planning committee to coordinate efforts. He recommends that the Town Board seriously consider it. The Stone House Day committee has already met on it; they are very interested.

From Department Heads and Town Board

Councilwoman Briggs would like to pass on a thank you from Erma Moore. She wanted to thank Karl Brueckner who provides us with the mobile cooler. We also had more help than ever. The weather was perfect and everybody said it was a very nice parade this year.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION # 2008-99

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

Hurley Walkable Community Grant

Seconded by Councilman Gill

WHEREAS, the Town of Hurley supports the principles of a walkable community, as well as safe routes to school; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a safe pedestrian route along Schoolhouse Lane represents a severe obstacle of pedestrian access to and from the Myer Elementary School to Main St.; and

WHEREAS, the impromptu parking along the rail trail on Russell Rd. is not deemed to meet ideal safety standards; and

WHEREAS, access to the rail trail from the school would benefit students field trips as well as benefits of a healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, New York State has opened a round of Transportation Enhancement Program grants for consideration and the Ulster County Non-Motorized Transportation Plan has recognized the need for improvement in Hurley and has deemed remediation in Hurley as one of the top twelve priorities for funding in Ulster County, then

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Transportation Enhancement Program grant application for the Hurley Walkable Community Safe Routes to School, estimated at \$356,712.21 with the Town of Hurley to set aside \$71,342.44 in the 2009 construction season as local matching funds, upon the selection of the grant proposal by the Ulster County Metropolitan Transportation Program.

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION # 2008-100

Offered Supervisor Bellows

Town Clerks Monthly Report

Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Town Clerks Monthly reports for January through April.

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 101:

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

DOG CENSES

Seconded by Councilwoman Briggs

WHEREAS, there has not been a dog enumeration done in the Town of Hurley in more than ten years and

WHEREAS in accordance with Article 7 of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law Section 119 all dogs four months age or older must be licensed in the municipality in which they are harbored

WHEREAS there is an additional \$5.00 fee charged during an enumeration

BE IT RESOLVED to waive the \$5.00 fee if the dog is licensed before July 1st, 2008

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 #102:

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

HIRE COURT LAWYER

Seconded by Councilman Gill

BE IT RESOLVED TO Appoint Attorney Kevin Bryant as an acting Prosecutor for the Town of Hurley Justice Court, on a 90-Day trial basis, June 1 2009 through August 31, 2008 at \$150.00 per hour.

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 #103:

Offered by Supervisor Bellows

REDUCE SPEED LIMIT ON LUCAS AVE

Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

WHEREAS, the speed limit on Lucas Avenue in the Town of Ulster is 35 miles per hour and, WHEREAS, that speed limit on Lucas Avenue in the Town of Hurley is 45 miles per hour, which is not safe, then

THEREFORE, NOW let it be resolved to request the NYS DOT to re-define the 35MPH speed limit beginning at the point of the Town of Ulster/Hurley Town Line on Lucas Ave. extending in a westerly direction to DePew Lane.

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008 # 104:
Offered by Supervisor Bellows

PARK PARKING LOT
Seconded by Councilwoman Briggs

BE IT RESOLED that the Highway Department be allowed to work on the surfacing of the Parking Lot across the road from Dug Hill Park.
The work hours can be charged to the Recreation Project 20 H

ALL VOTED AYE

RESOLUTION 2008#105:
Offered by Councilwoman Horner

FINANCIAL REPORTS
Seconded by Councilwoman Hyman

WHEREAS, it is the primary function of the Hurley Town Board to oversee the responsible handling of tax payers money, and
WHEREAS, in order to accomplish this it is necessary for the Town Board to continually review financial reports, and
WHEREAS, the town hired accountant provides an electronic version of the financial report via email to the supervisors office each month prior to the monthly Agenda Meeting for the previous months finances,
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor provide each councilperson a duplicate electronic copy, via email of the latest complete monthly financial statements so that Town Board members may review them before the monthly Town Board meeting.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if an electronic copy is unavailable that a hard copy be placed in each councilpersons mailbox by the Friday prior to the regularly scheduled monthly Town Board meeting
After a discussion amongst the town board members and supervisor the resolution was withdrawn by Councilwoman Horner.

Resolution # 2008-106
Offered by Councilwoman Horner

Library Transfer
Seconded by Councilwoman Briggs

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2007 the Hurley Town Board unanimously approved a resolution transferring title of a Town owned property a 44 Main St to the Hurley Library for the sum of \$1.00 subject to permissive referendum and
WHEREAS, on April 28, 2008 the Hurley Town Board declared the property surplus and
WHEREAS, Laura Scavinsky of the State Comptrollers office advised that the Town could transfer the library occupied property to the Hurley library for no consideration as long as the library is a "public" library and
WHEREAS Chapter 361 of the Laws of 2001 sets up the Hurley Library District
THEREFORE, be it resolved to authorize Supervisor Gary Bellows to sign the deed conveying the Main Street property to the library.

From the Floor:

1. Pat Davis- Asked if the notice for the Public hearing was in the newspaper.
2. Rev Stickley suggested that next year we should try to separate the hotdog area from where the speaker was so everyone could hear the speakers.
3. Roy Hochberg asked about the assessment of the reservoir property.

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Gill, seconded by Councilwoman Briggs and all voted aye.

Judy Mayhon, Town Clerk