

A regular meeting of the Town of Cochection was held on August 10, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Cochection Town Hall with the following members present:

(Between 7:00 PM and 7:30 PM for the purpose of auditing bills)

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Maas with the pledge to the flag at 7:33 PM.

PRESENT: Supervisor Maas
Councilperson Larry Richardson
Councilperson Edwin Grund
Councilperson Richard Schulman
Councilperson Anna Story

OTHERS PRESENT:

Hollye Schulman – Town Clerk
Brian DuBois – Highway Superintendent
John J. Keating –Attorney

During the work session Stephen Stuart gave a presentation re: Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development, Inc. This is a State sponsored program Green Jobs – Green New York provides FREE or low cost home energy audits for homeowners in NYS, and low interest loans to help homeowners achieve the energy-related home improvements by the audit. The audits and home improvements are carried out by local contractors certified by BPI, (the Building Performance Institute) which trains contractors in this work. This is a first come first serve program; for both older homes as well as newer ones.

At the opening of the regular town board meeting- David Bodenstein gave a presentation on the FY 2011-2012 Insurance for the town, and explained same. The premium for this FY is less than the previous year.

BID OPENING: Fuel Bids

Town Clerk read legal notice which was placed in both newspapers used by the town.

Two bids received. The bids were opened in the order they were received.

1. County Petroleum
2. Ultra Power

There was no decision made on the bids as there were two different Journal of Commerce used for the bidding. Attorney will look over the bids and let the board know what would be in the best interest of the town.

BOARD RESPONSE:

Supervisor Maas gave his personal response first.

The Cochection Town Board response to some of the public's comments concerning the procedure used and the content of the Draft Updates of the Cochection Comprehensive Plan (CP), Zoning Law (ZL) and Sub-division Law (SUBL): was prepared by Councilperson Richardson and was read by the Supervisor

While acknowledging that there exists different ways to present the documents as noted above, it should be stated that all changes were discussed at public forums held by the Town Board and also by the Planning Board. Changes suggested by the Planning Board and their attorney were presented to the Town Board, where they were reviewed in open session and either accepted, modified or rejected with explanations. All proposed changes to the CP, ZL, and SUBL were presented to the Professional Planner/Consultant for proper wording and incorporation in the draft documents. Following the rewrite, the documents were once again reviewed by the Town Board. It should be noted that the draft documents are and have been available on the Town's website with changes printed in red. Statistical changes or additions to the CP are noted as (NEW). The Town Board feels that there have been ample opportunities for the public to hear the deliberations concerning the proposed changes and to add their input.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

- (1) Concern about the format for presenting the CP is discussed above.
- (2) The Town Board at the urging of many residents and after careful consideration decided to remove from the top of pg 2, "the potential of a natural gas industry".
- (3) Some data is "current"; some is as current as is readily available. Since statistics are dynamic, trends can often be more useful in long term planning.
- (4) The use of (NEW) is discussed above. Errors should be corrected.
- (5) As noted in a public letter of concern, median age statics are useful.
- (6) Survey is outdated. The school question was a run-up to the then proposed schools merger. There was no substantial support for consolidating municipal highway departments.
- (7) The Shepstone Management Company as consultant for drafting these three documents is being paid \$4,000.00 including printing.

ZONING LAW:

- (1) The suggestion that the draft of the ZL is procedurally deficient is addressed above.
- (2) The issue of buildable slopes was discussed extensively by the Board especially in light of the Towns experience with a proposed sand and gravel mine that was denied and ultimately appeared before the Zoning Board of Appeals. The consultant was instructed to better define "steep slopes". It was also decided that should an applicant have the "means" and desire to build on a greater slope and can do so in a manner consistent with the Town and state requirements, a lessening of the restriction could be warranted. And so a numerical change resulted. The Federal and State delineation of wetlands are not constant.
- (3) The Town did in fact invite the Slotjjes to make a presentation on July 29th concerning Heavy Industrial Activities and gas drilling as it is related. The gas drilling industry has not yet challenged any of the listed municipalities' local law in court and therefore such laws are untested.

August 10, 2011

RESOLUTION # 41**UPDATE TOWN OF COCHECTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Schulman, the following resolution was resolved
A Local Law to update the Town of Cochection Comprehensive Plan and bring it current in terms of both relevant data and recommendations.

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Cochection, Sullivan County, New York held at the Town Hall in the Town of Cochection, County of Sullivan, State of New York on the 16 day of June 2011, a public hearing having been had at the Town Hall in Lake Huntington, Sullivan County, New York, at 7:30 PM to consider the enactment of a proposed local law: Local Law No. 1 of the year 2011. A local law to update the Town of Cochection Comprehensive Plan and bring it current in terms of both relevant data and recommendations.

WHEREAS, all persons having had an opportunity to be heard and all persons desiring to be heard having been duly heard. A full text of the proposed law is available at the Office of the Cochection Town Clerk, 74 Smales Road, Lake Huntington, New York, and
WHEREAS, this matter is a SEQR Type I action, and has been duly reviewed and the Town Board has issued a Negative Declaration under SEQR and requires no further review, and

WHEREAS, in its review of this action, DEPM recommended several modifications. All of such modifications have been incorporated in the proposed law, and

WHEREAS, DEPM also made various technical comments. All have also been incorporated in the proposed law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Cochection hereby adopts Local Law No. 1 of the year 2011. A local law to update the Town of Cochection Comprehensive Plan and bring it current in terms of both relevant data and recommendations.

ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

Supervisor Maas

Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

RESOLUTION # 42**UPDATE TOWN OF COCHECTON SUBDIVISION LAW**

On motion of Councilperson Richardson, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following resolution was resolved
A Local Law to update and revise the Town of Cochection Subdivision Law.

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Cochection, Sullivan County, New York held at the Town Hall in the Town of Cochection, County of Sullivan, State of New York on the 16 day of June 2011, a public hearing having been had at the Town Hall in Lake Huntington, Sullivan County, New York, at 7:45 PM to consider the enactment of a proposed local law: Local Law No. 2 of the year 2011. A local law to update and revise the Town of Cochection Subdivision Law, and

WHEREAS, all persons having had an opportunity to be heard and all persons desiring to be heard having been duly heard. A full text of the proposed law is available at the Office of the Cochection Town Clerk, 74 Smales Road, Lake Huntington, New York, and
WHEREAS, this matter is a SEQR Type I action, and has been duly reviewed and the Town Board has issued a Negative Declaration under SEQR and requires no further review, and

WHEREAS, DEPM has reviewed and approved this action.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Cochection hereby adopts Local Law No. 2 of the year 2011. A local law to update and revise the Town of Cochection Subdivision Law

ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

Supervisor Maas

Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

RESOLUTION # 43**UPDATE TOWN OF COCHECTON ZONING LAW**

On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Schulman, the following resolution was resolved
A Local Law to update and revise the Town of Cochection Zoning Law.

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Cochection, Sullivan County, New York held at the Town Hall in the Town of Cochection, County of Sullivan, State of New York on the 16 day of June 2011, a public hearing having been had at the Town Hall in Lake Huntington, Sullivan County, New York, at 8:00 PM to consider the enactment of a proposed local law: Local Law No. 3 of the year 2011. A local law to update and revise the Town of Cochection Zoning Law, and

WHEREAS, all persons having had an opportunity to be heard and all persons desiring to be heard having been duly heard. A full text of the proposed law is available at the Office of the Cochection Town Clerk, 74 Smales Road, Lake Huntington, New York, and
WHEREAS, this matter is a SEQR Type I action, and has been duly reviewed and the Town Board has issued a Negative Declaration under SEQR and requires no further review, and

WHEREAS, DEPM has reviewed and approved this action, and

WHEREAS, DEPM made various technical comments. All have been incorporated, except one, which was inapplicable. DEPM commented: "Page 64 Sec. 100-38 Sand, Gravel and Quarrying Operations permits "excavation" industries, but Sec. 100-38 B and C discuss "extraction industries", which includes a greater number of activities than extraction. If the intent is to allow more activities than sand and gravel quarries, such as drilling for natural gas and other resources, it should be made more clear." It is not the intent of the Board to allow drilling for natural gas and other resources, by way of the proposed revised Zoning Law. Gas drilling is a wholly controversial and unsettled area of law and fact and any decision to affirmatively allow or ban such activities is outside the intent of this update and revision of the zoning law. The Board does, however, intend to otherwise continue to closely and aggressively follow and address gas industry issues.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Cochection hereby adopts Local Law No. 3 of the year 2011. A local law to update and revise the Town of Cochection Zoning Law.

ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

Supervisor Maas

Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

RESOLUTION # 44
A LOCAL LAW PROHIBITING SMOKING WITHIN 50 FEET OF THE TOWN OF COCHECTON NEW TOWN HALL
On motion of Councilperson Schulman, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following resolution was
WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Cochecton, Sullivan county, New York held at the Town hall in the Town of Cochecton, county of Sullivan, State of New York on the 13 day of July 2011, a public hearing having been had at the New Town Hall in Lake Huntington, Sullivan County, New York, at 7:30 PM to consider the enactment of a proposed local law: Local Law No. 4 of the year 2011: A local law prohibiting smoking within 50 feet of the Town of Cochecton New Town Hall
WHEREAS, all persons having had an opportunity to be heard and all persons desiring to be heard having been duly heard. A full text of the proposed law is available at the Office of the Cochecton Town Clerk, 74 Smales Road, Lake Huntington, New York, and
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Cochecton hereby adopts Local Law No. 4 of the year 2011: A local law prohibiting smoking within 50 feet of the Town of Cochecton New Town Hall

ADOPTED: AYES: 4 NAYS: 1 Councilperson Richardson
Supervisor Maas
Councilpersons: Grund, Schulman and Story

RESOLUTION # 45
CHIPS FUND WHEN ADOPTING FY2011 BUDGET
On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Schulman, the following resolution was
WHEREAS, the Cochecton Town board when adopting the 2011 budget was unaware of the exact amount allocated for the CHIPS Fund and until being notified could not accurately state so in the FY 2011 Budget, and
WHEREAS, the town had a \$10,769.42 rollover from the previous year and with this years apportionment being \$94,570.78 for a total of \$105,340.20, and
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the budget line DA 5112.400 (CAPITAL OUTLAY-CHIPS) instead of reading \$75,000.00 now reads \$105,340.20 and revenue line DA 3501.00 (STATE AID-CHIPS CAPITAL) instead of reading \$75,000.00 should now read \$105,340.20 to cover actual and anticipated expenditures

ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0
Supervisor Maas
Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

RESOLUTION # 46
CORRECTION TO ABSTRACT # 7
On motion of councilperson Story, seconded by Councilperson Grund, the following resolution was
WHEREAS, there was an error on abstract # 7 on voucher # 351 Line DA 5110.400 (Highway General Repairs) listed as \$257.89 when in fact it should have been listed as \$242.42, causing the total Highway Funds to read \$7,695.68 and
NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that Line DA 5110.400 (Highway General Repairs) Voucher # 351 is changed from \$257.89 to \$242.42 to correct the error and the total Highway Funds should read \$7,680.21 instead of \$7,695.68

ADOPTED: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0
Supervisor Maas
Councilpersons: Richardson, Grund, Schulman and Story

MOTION: On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Schulman the following motion was to approve the minutes of July 13, 2011, and July 25, 2011 and July 29, 2011 and be accepted as submitted. Vote on July 13, 2011 minutes was 4 in favor, one abstention (Councilperson Richardson was absent from that meeting). The minutes of July 25, 2011; vote was 5-0 and July 29, 2011; vote was 4 in favor and one abstention (Councilperson Story - as she took the minutes in the absent of the Town Clerk)

MOTION: On motion of Councilperson Richardson, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following motion was to approve for payment the bill on abstract # 8 in the following amount.

General Account	Voucher # 357-389	\$12,993.96
Capital Town Hall Account	Voucher # 390	\$3,000.00
Sewer Account	Voucher # 391-392	\$1,870.00
Lighting District Account	Voucher # 393	\$506.47
Highway Account	Voucher # 394	\$7,122.81

Claim #'s 358 and 367 are noted as splits between funds, same voucher.
Prepaid claims were paid on 7/18/2011
All voted in favor.

Voucher # 370 will be reimbursed by the First National Bank of Jeff in the amount of \$196.00

Uniforms USA will now replace the runners in the town hall every other week (since the parking lot has been blacktopped) until further notice.

CORRESPONDENCE:
Letters received Town of Tusten looking for support to be the lead agency in the adopting of their new zoning law based on the Town's Updated Comprehensive Plan of 2007. Supervisor Maas will send a letter with the approval of the Town of Cochecton Town Board approving that the Town Board of Tusten will be the lead agency in this matter
Letters were sent to Dept. heads for their budget request for FY 2012 – to be submitted by August 20, 2011
Town of Deerpark will hold a memorial service on Sept. 11, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. at the Town of Deerpark Town Hall
New York Comptroller- unclaimed funds have been received in the amount of \$198.87
United States Senate advising of grants available for Fire Dept., museums etc.
Time Warner Cable advising channel changes
FOIL request – American Electric

CORRESPONDENCE continues:

Letter from NYS Dept. of Taxation advising the towns 75% equalization rate
Bids- Sullivan County Paving – discussed Supervisor thanks John Bernas for everything they do for the town
Letter from David Slotjies
Letter from John Keating – memo re: cell tower bond or letter of credit recommendation for the Planning board
Columbia Gas Transmission – surveying wetlands etc. for leaks
Supervisor attended a meeting at SWCS re: Student achievement
Supervisor also had a graft of visitors to the town website – 400 visits per month approx. 26 per day
Letter extending MMFT comments until August 19, 2011

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Brenda Seldin, asked if any changes were made to section 100-15F on the web site. Supervisor will check this to make sure
Joseph Manaseri, mentioned that the Ambulance Corp. Park won first place in the amount of \$10,000.00 in Category B from the Sullivan Renaissance
Allan Rubin, What the Board passed was better than what you started at, looking forward to having more discussions and working together, Town Board concept not at the same level; but we can get together to see where areas of agreement are and can discuss the issue further. Perhaps have more input for additional Zoning and Comprehensive updates in the future.
William Boucher- don't fault this town board they have worked very hard to update the Zoning Law, Comprehensive Plan and Subdivision Law
Peter Grosser – morality issue and the gentleman speaks for himself - Perhaps there should be a Public Referendum.
Sasha Graham –read her letter – issues re: gas drilling and its impact on the community and children
John Reggero, there was a recent forum held at the SWCS and he questioned who would upgrade the roads to accommodate trucking, who pays for repairs – he was told the persons doing the activity
Allison Panel, she also asked about repairs to the roads

No one else wished to comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Youth Commission: Councilperson Edwin Grund reported on the activities for the Youth. July rafting trip from Skinners Falls to Narrowsburg – 13 youth and 12 adults – refreshments served. The group marched in the Day on the Lake event, they had a bouncy house, a dunking booth and made snow cones. Attended the Wayne County Fair today. Many more events are planed for the rest of the year Free to Cochection youth

Office of the Aging: Councilperson Richard Schulman, had a few handouts and reported that EPIC Program to assist with drug program- no fees or deductibles \$23,000.00 for singles and \$29,000.00 for a couple Medicare part D. 62% of bankruptcy are due to medical expenses. 2/3 of these bankruptcies were filed by people who were insured when they got sick

Planning Board: Councilperson Larry Richardson did not have anything additional to report

Website: Councilperson Anna Story – updated website as necessary, removed and added information to the News alert, Set up town e-mail accounts for the Bookkeeper and Court Clerk. Added minutes to the website. Planning Board minutes are still not on the website because I'm having a problem opening files that were sent to me. Supervisor said he will work on it. Worked 2.75 hours

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

SUPERVISOR: (Gary Maas)

1. Monthly Financial Report

Bank Information:

Deposited \$100.00 UDC check

Deposited \$705.00 Judicial fees

Deposited \$710.00 Judicial fees

Deposited \$2,456.03 Town Clerk fees

Deposited \$1,390.52 to reimburse debit card

Made transfers as needed
2. Activity

Meetings at SW on improving education at Sullivan West

Meetings & calls with contractor, Highway Supt., Engineer, Tom Shepstone and Attorney

Made deposits and transfers as needed

Completed Grant for Parking Lot light

Received numerous e-mails on Public Hearing

Meeting in Cochection on Waterfront Development

Meeting with LHSC and numerous residents

Arranged black topping and landscaping at Town Hall

Meeting on Broad Band development

Trip to Dimock, PA

Unclaimed funds – received check for \$198.87
3. CONTRACTUAL

Abstract # 1

Abstract # 2 \$701.54

Abstract # 3 \$457.34
- \$5,500.00

\$4,798.46

\$4,341.12

Supervisor’s report continues:

Abstract # 4	\$111.71	\$4,229.41
Abstract # 5	\$850.35	\$3,379.06
Abstract # 6	\$268.74	\$3,110.32
Abstract #7	\$130.74	\$2,979.78
Abstract # 8	\$320.91	\$2,658.87

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT: (Brian DuBois)

- Submitted written report, repair and maintenance as needed
- New Turnpike A Ditching – 2 driveway pipes 1 (15’ X 30’ poly) and 1 (18” X 30’ poly)
- Ehrley Road – Ditching
- New Town Hall – moved dirt piles, seed & mulched, stone bumpers & bank
- Pinewood Road Driveway pipe 15” X 35’ poly
- Contractual Balance:\$793.80

Highway Superintendent mentioned that New Turnpike Road A would be closed August 11 – paving both sides at one time. Use caution. He checked on the new truck last Tuesday and had not gotten a response from the dealer. When the men are finished with paving he will start black top. Councilperson Richardson said there is a sizable pot hole on Bernas Road

TOWN CLERK: (Hollye Schulman)

- Re: monthly report
- I took care of the regular duties of the Town Clerk
- I attended the OSTCA meeting held in Monroe, NY on July 20, 2011. There was a round table discussion
- regarding the new marriage forms, some of us have not receive the new forms at this time. We were told to use the old forms. New forms will be used when they are received.
- The UDC check in the amount of \$100.00 received and turned over to the Supervisor.
- There were no handicapped parking permits or renewals issued in the month of July.
- I’m still receiving telephone calls for the Assessor, Justice Court, CEO, Planning Board etc.
- I had two FOIL request in July. (Both from the same person)
- I issued two marriage licenses in July.
- Contractual balance: \$3,721.31

Town clerk also mentioned that her computer is not compatible with the new server. Supervisor will look into it

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: (Gregg Semenetz) not present

Submitted a written report: Worked a total of 80 hours
Total mileage 644, Permits issued: 4 Renewals: 0, C of O’s issued:9 , Notice of Disapproval: 0, Municipal search letters: 1
Appearance tickets: 1, Revenues: \$525.00, Expenses: \$375.22
Contractual balance: \$2,289.28

TAX COLLECTOR: (Eileen Hennessy) not prersent

Submitted a written report: as of August 10, 2011.
Checkbook \$0.01
Interest \$0.08
Total \$0.09
Contractual balance: \$3,023.40
Worked 4 hours in month of July

HISTORIAN: (K. C. Garn) not present

There were no requests for information this past month. I note the unfortunate passing of Emily Hallock of Narrowsburg, just the other day. She was an avid historian and helped me a great deal. Over the years, she had listed the names of everyone buried in cemeteries in the Town of Cochecton and gave me copies. She was a very nice person who was devoted to her family’s history and I’m pleased to have known her.
There’s a hunk of metal hanging between two posts on the front of Ethel Hulse’s property that has "1828" welded on it. That’s the year William Jarvis bought the place at an auction in New York City for \$100.00. The "foreclosure" was against the owner, James Bloomfield, who was an "absconding debtor". Thereafter, it was known as the Jarvis Farm throughout the 1800’s and was sold to George and Carl Rohrmann in 1950 by Jarvis Neill. What happened in between (how it went from the Jarvis family to the Neills) is a story for another time when the weather is cooler.
Enjoy the rest of the Summer which has been beautiful...even with the rain.

ATTORNEY: (John J. Keating)

- Submitted a written report:
 - Attended monthly meeting
 - Prosecute Justice Court matters
 - Worked on new laws 1, 2, 3 and 4 and SEQRA matters for laws 1, 2 and 3
- Nothing more to add; except to wrap up laws

ASSESSOR: (Lorry King) not present

Submitted a written report;
Old Business: Field review of sales and new construction continues
New Business: received permits and CO’s from building dept.
Received our Final equalization rate for 2011, it is 75%
Processed seven deeds this month, things are picking up

Worked 27 hours and Clerk worked 11 hours
Expenses \$138.55
Contractual Balance: \$2,674.85

PLANNING BOARD CHAIR: (Sharron Cardone) not present

All members were present

Meeting was opened by me at 7:30

Minutes of the May and June meeting were approved.

I read correspondence regarding gas lines and drilling that I received in the mail and asked if anyone was interested in getting a copy to see me.

OLD BUSINESS:

Read over the letters from John Keating and Ira Cohen regarding the issue of either obtaining a letter of credit or bond from AT&T for the cell tower. John favors a bond for \$25K but would take a letter if credit if this is what Ira and the Planning Board and Town Board favor. Per a pool of the board – all members were in favor of getting a letter of credit for \$25,000. We will wait for a recommendation from the Town Board on what they want and then make a request to AT & T.

Went over the importance of getting the required hours for continuing education and handed out the certificates for the various classes that members attended.

No other business was discussed and meeting was closed.

SEWER OFFICER: (George Walter) not present

Average flow of 41,982 gallons per day for month of February

Obtained 95.2 % C.B.O.D. and 94.2 % T.S.S. removal for February

Spent a total of 84 1/2 hours attending to sewer district affairs in February

Expenditures: \$359.90

Contractual Balance: \$15,325.78

DOG CONTROL OFFICER: (Rosemary Barile) not present

Submitted a written report; 1 dog at large, 1 possible injured dog

Contractual Balance: \$1,431.83 (her report received too late to subtract her expenses) ----Enumeration Contractual Balance: \$1,000.00

UDC: (Larry Richardson)

Supervisor read report

- The Upper Delaware Council held its regular meeting on Thursday August 4. Various committee reports were presented.
- Tony Ritter reporting for the WURM Committee mentioned the proposed Visitor's Center project. Although the release of the grants monies for the project are being held up, the design phase is moving forward, with the Architectural firm planning on doing a walk over at the site in September. NYC is scaling back its plans to install hydro-generating plants at its upstate reservoirs. An illegal fish hatchery was discovered on Big Island in the Delaware. Five ponds had been constructed to grow Tilapia. The DEC is having them removed the land reclaimed and the fish disposed of. A lengthy report dealing with the proposed expansion of the Holbert Brothers blue stone quarry was given. In the opinion of the UDC and the National Park Service, the proposal is not permitted within the River Corridor. Since the Lackawaxen Township Supervisors have ruled in favor of the project and did not allow the UDC or NPS to comment as an interested party (as they did when the project was first proposed in 2008), the UDC is considering its legal options.
- Bill Rudge of the DEC reported that the proposed gas drilling regulations will be ready for public comment at the end of August. There will be a 60 day comment period, however it has not been decided if public hearings will be held. The seriousness of invasive species was discussed and it was confirmed that the DEC will remove any Hoghead plants found. Bill is providing a link to the appropriate agency to deal with any invasive species positively identified. That link should be on the UDC web site or you can call Laurie Ramie at 252-3022.
- DRBC representative Dr. Tom Fikslin provided a lot of information about how the DRBC plans to monitor water quality in an effort to identify possible changes resulting from gas drilling activities. My concern is that the sampling, testing and reporting is being left to the gas companies. My comment was isn't this like asking the "Fox to guard the hen house"?
- The UDC annual family raft trip was scheduled for Sunday August 7.
- Actions taken:
- Approved Draft letter to Lackawaxen Township Supervisors asking for clarification of the Holbert Brothers Bluestone Conditional Use Permit Decision
- Moved to Executive Session for two topics: Reviewing an application for employment and to discuss legal representation for possible litigation.

TOWN BOARD:

(Councilperson Story) – Nothing to report

(Councilperson Schulman) – Nothing to report

(Councilperson Grund) - Nothing to report

(Councilperson Richardson) - Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Town Hall –landscaping – has been completed except for the mulching
2. MMFT update – meeting tomorrow night in Tusten
3. Pulloff Rte. 97 for byway – working on it signs should be here August 18, 2011
4. Transfer station lease –pending
5. Monthly inspection by Engineering Properties – will be finished when 80% of grass is growing

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Day on the Lake update –there will be a meeting next Wednesday
2. Unclaimed Funds – \$198.87 received and discussed earlier

NEW BUSINESS continues:

- 3. Server for New Town Hall computers – Supervisor Maas feels the Town Clerk is the most important. The Assessor and her clerk plus the Supervisor and Bookkeeper are on the server, the Tax collector had virus on her computer, which was taken care of and she is on the server as well. Since the CEO takes his computer out in the field he will not be on the server. If there is a problem the server is set up to help on line to solve the problem. The unit is in the Supervisor’s office.
- 4. Pole and flag – being worked on
- 5. Lines on parking lot for handicapped parking

Planning Board – Bond or letter of credit re: cell tower proposed on Mueller Road - if needs to be removed in the future. Planning Board prefers letter of credit.
Councilperson Richardson feels if the Planning Board wants a letter of credit; the Town Board should support that idea

MOTION: On motion of Councilperson Richardson, seconded by Councilperson Grund, the following motion was to support the Planning Board in their desire to have a letter of credit for the proposed cell tower on Muller Road. All voted in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilperson Richardson mentioned that it was nice to see residents attend the meeting. There are other issues so come out and see what the board is doing.

MOTION: On motion of Councilperson Grund, seconded by Councilperson Story, the following motion was to adjourn this Town Board meeting. Time 9:33 p.m. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, _____
Hollye Schulman, Town Clerk