

TOWN OF RED HOOK REORGANIZATION MEETING
January 8, 2007

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York was convened in public session at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump
Councilman James Ross
Councilwoman Sue Crane
Councilman Harold Ramsey
Town Clerk Susan McCann
Attorney for the Town Christine Chale

Supervisor Blum Bump welcomed everyone to the Reorganization Meeting.

Attorney Chale outlined the format of the meeting.

Supervisor Blum Bump added that Paula Schoonmaker and Pete Hubbell would like to be on a Special Task Resource Committee. Mr. Hubbell would like to volunteer but does not want to attend regular meetings. He wants to be available for special projects. Paula Schoonmaker informed Supervisor Blum Bump that she will be looking for a replacement for the clerk position. She too would like to work on special projects as they come up. Therefore, Supervisor Blum Bump would like to establish a Special Project Resource Committee.

Councilman Ross suggests going through the regular reorganization meeting. He would like to understand what the Special Project committee's charge would be. Councilman Ross feels its worth discussing.

Councilman Ramsey would like to know what the projects are first, and if they are the right people for the committee.

Attorney Chale begins with the first item on the agenda being the Planning Board vacancy, based on the most updated list.

Councilman Ramsey asked about the term of the Planning Board members. He feels that seven years is the proper length of an appointment. He suggests following a seven year cycle.

Councilman Ross said the Planning Board was always seven members for seven years and the Zoning Board used to be five members for five years. He does not know how we ended up with five years.

Attorney Chale recommends a seven year appointment so that the membership gets staggered correctly.

RESOLUTION 2007 #1

RE: The appointment of John Hardeman to the Planning Board

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint John Hardeman to the Town of Red Hook Planning Board for a term to expire December 31, 2013.

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

RESOLUTION 2007 #2

RE: The appointment of Christine Kane as Planning Board Chair

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby

appoint Christine Kane as the Chair of the Town of Red Hook Planning Board for 2007.

Adopted Ayes 3 Blum Bump, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 1 Ross

RESOLUTION 2007 #3

RE: The appointment of Gordon Denegar to the Zoning Board of Appeals

On a motion of Councilman James Ross, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Gordon Denegar to the Town of Red Hook Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire December 31, 2012.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2007 #4

RE: The appointment of Tim Ross as Chair of the ZBA

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Tim Ross as Chair of the Town of Red Hook Zoning Board of Appeals for 2007.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW VACANCIES

The Board decided to advertise and talk to Lois Chenkus regarding the appointments to the Board of Assessment Review. There are two vacancies: Lois Chenkus whose term expired on 9/30/2006, and the other, the late Eileen Flanagan whose remaining unexpired term is 9/30/2008

RESOLUTION 2007 #5

RE: Conservation Advisory Council Appointments

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman James Ross, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Susan Ellis to the Conservation Advisory Council for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Zoie Riel to the Conservation Advisory Council for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Brenda Cagle as Chair of the Conservation Advisory council for a term to expire December 31, 2007.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

Existing Appointments Continued; no action required

Assessor: Frank V. Orlando (Sec. 20 of the Town Law and Sec. 310 of the Real Property Tax Law, appointed by the Board on January 17, 2006 to fill the remainder of a 6-year term expiring 12/31/2007). No action required.

Budget Officer: (Town Law Sec. 103(2)) Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump

Code Enforcement Officer: Stephen Cole

Building Inspector: Robert D. Fennell

Registrar of Vital Statistics: Sue McCann, Town Clerk (Appointed pursuant to

Section 4121 of the Public Health Law, same term as clerk).

Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics: Deputy Town Clerk Claire Horst (Appointed by the Registrar of Vital Statistics pursuant to Section 4122 of the Public Health Law).

Director of Purchasing: (Town Law Sec. 20(3) (e)): Theodore Kudzy

Justice Court Appointments (on advice and consent of the Town Justice)
Clerk to Justice Kelly Flood-Myers, Nancy Roberts
Clerk to Justice Roland Page, Katherine Fell

RESOLUTION 2007 #6

RE: Appointment of Issuing Agent for Handicapped Parking Permits

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint the Town Clerk, Sue McCann, as the Town of Red Hook’s issuing agent for parking permits for handicapped persons.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Attorney Chale stated that this appointment should be treated the same as the Registrar of Vital Statistics, that she is the issuing agent for her term as Town Clerk.

RESOLUTION 2007 #7

RE: Position of Deputy Tax Collector

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby create the position of Deputy Tax Collector. The annual salary for the Tax Collector for 2007 shall be \$7,714.00 (payable weekly), and for Deputy Tax Collector for 2007 shall be \$3,857.00 (payable weekly).

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

The vote on the term for the appointment of Tax Collector will be at the meeting scheduled for January 9, 2007

P.A.N.D.A. (Intermunicipal Agreement)

Attorney Chale said we have a Town Board representative and an alternate. The current representative is Charlie Callejo. Supervisor Blum Bump would like the Board to hold off on taking any action until after the meeting of the five municipalities on January 22nd and advertising for volunteers. The Board decided to wait until February to make the appointments for P.A.N.D.A. representative and alternate.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER

(Ag and Markets Law Sec. 114, Town Code Ch. 63)

Councilwoman Crane asks to holdover to see if there are any alternatives that would be a savings to the Town such as the S.P.C.A. or another dog control agency.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS

RESOLUTION 2007 #8

RE: Attorneys to the Town of Red Hook

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Rapport, Meyers, Whitbeck, Shaw & Rodenhausen, LLP (Christine M. Chale supervising partner), as Attorneys for the Town for the year 2007, and authorizes the

Supervisor to execute the retainer agreement on file with the Supervisor.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2007 #9

RE: Keane & Beane

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane for discussion, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Keane & Beane P.C. (Joel Sachs, supervising partner), as Attorneys for the Town of the year 2007, and authorizes the Supervisor to execute the retainer agreement on file with the Supervisor.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Councilman Ross feels that we should use our own Attorney for the Town more.

Councilwoman Crane said we should be specific on what issues we are using them.

Councilman Ramsey stated that in the past we have used them for land use, and would like to use our local attorney first. We have had a tendency to increase usage of Keane & Beane and would rather see the work stay with our attorney in Town.

Supervisor Blum Bump said that she has spoken with the Intermunicipal Task Force, the planner and the Planning Board and they would like to continue to use Keane & Beane because they have a working relationship with them.

Councilman Ross has a lot of respect for Joel Sachs and Keane & Beane, but feels we have to do some housekeeping and reign in on the use of the attorneys in general.

Attorney Chale suggests looking at where time is being spent, if that's a good use of their time, and if we are being as efficient as you need us to be. Is there another way we can relate to some of these things to help you conserve on money? How are we using are time?

PLANNER FOR THE TOWN

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Greenplan Inc., (J. Theodore Fink, AICP) as Town Planner for the Town for the year 2007, and authorizes the Supervisor to execute the retainer agreement on file with the Supervisor.

Councilman Ross stated that he can't vote for that. He is unhappy with the direction of their planning and their leadership role. He could not vote to reappoint. They should be holdovers and I'd like to go through the interview process for a planner.

Councilman Ramsey said he heard that the planner runs the Planning Board meetings, not our Planning Board. He would like to hear the Planning Board members on use of this planner. He asks to withdraw the motion or have a holdover with this same planner and go back and talk to the Planning Board.

Supervisor Blum Bump said they are very efficient and they do a lot of hard work. We ask them to come up with recommendations, they come up with them. Deputy Supervisor Bill O'Neill is very happy with them as are everyone on the Task Force. Christine Kane is happy with the Planner. There are many inexperienced people on the Planning Board and the planner is guiding them through.

Councilman Ramsey stated again, that we keep them as a holdover and discuss these issues. If we find things aren't working we can change them.

Supervisor Blum Bump does not think we should hold things up. They deserve to be allowed to continue their project. They are doing a good job.

Councilman Ramsey states he is hearing that the Planning Board is not led by the Chair, but

by the planner. He wants to understand more from the Planning Board members. He would like this tabled until we hear from the Planning Board.

Councilwoman Crane is not willing to appoint another planner at this point. She is willing to holdover. She would not vote for them to be replaced.

It was decided that the planners are holdovers. Motion is tabled.

ENGINEER FOR THE TOWN

RESOLUTION 2007 #10

RE: D. F. Wheeler, P.E.

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint D.F. Wheeler, P.E. (Dan Wheeler, P.E.), as Engineers for the Town for the year 2007, and authorizes the Supervisor to execute the retainer agreement on file with the Supervisor.

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

RESOLUTION 2007 # 11

RE: Morris Associates

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey for discussion, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Morris Associates (Peter Setaro, P.E.), as Engineers for the Town for the year 2007, and authorizes the Supervisor to execute the retainer agreement on file with the Supervisor.

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

Councilman Ramsey stated that he would like to use Morris Associates only for special projects and use Dan Wheeler as the day to day engineer for the Town.

ANNUAL ADOPTION OF PROCEDURES/SCHEDULES:

On a motion of Supervisor Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Ramsey, move to accept Emergency Interim Successors to Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump: Deputy Supervisor Bill O'Neill, Highway Superintendent Wayne Hildenbrand, and Board Member James Ross.

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

On a motion of Supervisor Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Crane, move to make the Town Departments Chain of Command: Department Head, Department Deputy if any, Supervisor, Town Board Liaison.

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

RESOLUTION 2007 #12

RE: Town Board Meeting Dates

On a motion of Councilman Harold Ramsey, seconded by Councilman Jim Ross, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook that regular meetings of the Board will take place throughout the year 2007 on the following days in each month at 7:30 p.m. in the main board room in the Town Hall:

First Tuesday: Agenda Workshop/Regular Meeting

Second Tuesday: Regular Business Meeting

Third Tuesday: Workshop/Regular Meeting

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

(Additional Special meetings will be scheduled and announced by posting the announcement at the Town Hall as required by Chapter 22 of the Town Code, and with notification to the press as required by the Public Officers Law.)

RESOLUTION 2007 #13

RE: Official Newspaper

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook that the Official Newspapers of the Town for 2007 shall be the Poughkeepsie Journal and the Kingston Freeman.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

DEPARTMENTAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLUTION 2007 #14

RE: Monthly reports

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook that department head and committee chairs shall submit minutes or report monthly by noon on the Friday before the first Board meeting of the month so that items may be reported and evaluated at the agenda session for the business meeting occurring that month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook that annual committee and departmental reports shall be submitted by noon on the Friday before the first Board meeting of February.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Notes to the Board:

The CAC is required to present an annual report described in Section 4-6 of the Town Code by April 1.

The Recreation Commission is required to present an annual report described in Ch. 34 of the Town Code by April 1.

FISCAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 2007 #15

RE: Official Depository

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook that the following financial institutions shall be Official Depositories of the Town for all Town monies for 2007: Key Bank and M&T Bank

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2007 #16

RE: Petty Cash

On a motion of Councilwoman Sue Crane, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook that pursuant to Section 64 of the Town Law, the following offices are authorized to maintain a petty cash fund in the following amounts:

Town Clerk \$500

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2007 #17

RE: Annual Financial Report

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook hereby authorizes and directs the Supervisor to submit to the Town Clerk within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year, or such later date as may be required for such filing with the State Comptroller, a copy of the Supervisor's report to the State Comptroller; and the Town Clerk shall cause a summary of such report to be published within 10 days of filing in the official newspaper of the Town.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

ANNUAL ACCOUNTING BY OFFICERS RECEIVING OR DISBURSING FUNDS

Attorney Chale reminded the Board that the Reports of the Town Justices, Town Clerk, and Tax Collector are due before January 20, 2007.

RESOLUTION 2007 #18

RE: Investment Policy

On a motion of Councilman Harold Ramsey, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook hereby approves the current Investment Policy on file with the Supervisor.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

PROCUREMENT POLICY – Purchasing Agent to report any proposed changes for February agenda meeting.

RESOLUTION 2007 #19

RE: Salaries for Elected Officials

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby establish the following salaries for elected officials for 2007:

Supervisor:	\$24,946.00 (payable monthly)
Budget Officer:	\$ 4,160.00 (payable monthly)
Town Board Members:	\$ 7,003.00 each (payable monthly)
Highway Superintendent:	\$57,374.00 (payable weekly)
Town Justices:	\$13,847.00 each (payable monthly)
Town Clerk:	\$43,297.00 (payable weekly)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such salaries are payable from the General (A) Fund.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

SALARIES FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

Councilwoman Crane wanted to rectify a discrepancy. Some committee chairpersons receive a stipend and others do not. She feels this is not right. Either we give to all, or not to anyone.

Councilman Ramsey expressed concern too, but he feels the committees are volunteer and would be against giving every chair a stipend.

Councilwoman Crane referred to the fact that the ZBA, Planning, CAC and Recreation Commission Chairs are the only ones receiving stipends.

Attorney Chale advised that according to the Code, the Recreation Chair serves as an Executive Officer of that commission.

Councilwoman Crane stated that there is an inequity that needs to be addressed.

Supervisor Blum Bump stated that this would be a budget adjustment and she would be willing to address this at a regular business meeting.

RESOLUTION 2007 #20

RE: Mileage Reimbursement

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby establish the mileage reimbursement rate of \$0.485 per mile for 2007 for those Town officials and employees who incur official mileage when they are obligated to drive their own vehicles on Town business or when a Town vehicle is not available, as authorized by the Town Board. Said payment is to be made only after submission, review and approval the appropriate voucher by the Town supervisor.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

SUPERVISOR'S APPOINTMENTS (no vote necessary)

Deputy Supervisor: William O'Neill
Supervisor's Confidential Secretary: Marina Schmid
Supervisor's Designee for Disaster Preparedness (Town Code Chapter 60):
 Deputy Supervisor
Town Historian (Arts and Cultural Affairs Sec. 67.07): Winthrop Aldrich

TOWN CLERK'S APPOINTMENTS (no vote necessary)

Deputy Town Clerk Claire Host (Town Law Section 30(10); serves at the pleasure of the Town Clerk).

TOWN HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S APPOINTMENTS (no vote necessary)

Deputy Town Superintendent of Highways: Robert M. Feller, Jr. (Town Law Sec. 32, to serve at the pleasure of the Highway Superintendent).

ANNUAL TOWN BOARD AUTHORIZATIONS FOR SUPERVISOR

RESOLUTION 2007 #21

RE: Undertaking and Checks

On a motion of Councilman Harold Ramsey, seconded by Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the renewal of a blanket bond from Utica Mutual Insurance Company for 2007 in lieu of individual undertaking pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Public Officers Law, for the purpose of covering all employees who collect money, as set forth in the form of policy on file with the Supervisor.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Supervisor to sign bank checks for all Town business.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Deputy Supervisor to sign bank checks in the absence of the Supervisor.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize Board members Sue Crane, Harold Ramsey, and James Ross to sign bank checks, when necessary for all Town business, in the absence of the supervisor and the Deputy Supervisor.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2007 #22

RE: Insurance/EAP

On a motion of Councilwoman Sue Crane, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute a renewal contract with NYMIR for medical, surgical and hospital insurance for the period 1/1/2007 to 12/31/2007.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Supervisor to renew a contract with NYMIR for property, casualty, and liability insurance for the period 1/1/2007 to 12/31/2007.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Supervisor to renew a contract with NYS Municipal Worker's Compensation Alliance for worker's compensation insurance for the period 1/1/2007 to 12/31/2007.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Supervisor to contract with The Workplace of St. Francis Hospital for EAP (Employee Assistance Program) as needed for the year 2007.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby authorize the Supervisor to renew a contract with The Workplace of St. Francis Hospital for a Random Drug and Alcohol Testing Program for those individuals subject by law to said testing program for the year 2007.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RESOLUTION 2007 #23

RE: Designation of Board Committees/Liaisons

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook hereby approves the following as liaisons to the Town and Community:

Department Liaisons:

Assessor Marirose Blum Bump
Bookkeeper Marirose Blum Bump
Building Inspector James Ross
Dog Control Sue Crane
Fire Companies Harold Ramsey & James Ross
Purchasing Sue Crane

Community Liaisons:

Bard College Marirose Blum Bump & Harold Ramsey
Red Hook CSD Marirose Blum Bump & Harold Ramsey
Special Projects
 IM Task Force - Marirose Blum Bump
 Senior Housing - Sue Crane
Village of Red Hook Marirose Blum Bump, Sue Crane, James Ross
Village of Tivoli Marirose Blum Bump, Harold Ramsey

Board and Committee Liaisons:

Ag & Open Space Advisory Board (PDR coordination and Limited Term
Conservation easement Review) Sue Crane
Board of Assessment Review Marirose Blum Bump
Disaster Preparedness Committee Harold Ramsey
Economic Development Committee Harold Ramsey
Board of Ethics Marirose Blum Bump, Sue Crane
Planning Board James Ross, Sue Crane
Recreation Commission Harold Ramsey
Senior Services Committee Sue Crane
Greenway and Trails Committee Marirose Blum Bump, Harold Ramsey

Water District # 1 Advisory Board	Sue Crane
Zoning Board of Appeals	James Ross
Farmland Protection Committee (PDR Review)	Marirose Blum Bump, James Ross
IT Committee	Marirose Blum Bump
St. Margaret's Task Force	Marirose Blum Bump
Zoning Review Committee	Sue Crane

Adopted	Ayes	4	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
	Nays	0	

Liaison for Recycling and the CAC will be determined at a later workshop.

Attorney Chale advised that there is a need to advertise for vacancies.

Councilman Ramsey feels we should advertise for the at-large vacancy for the Disaster Preparedness Committee. This is a brand new committee and has not been put into place. The Task Force held these positions for the past year. We are looking at this committee to do the job of the Task Force along with a standing committee and the Town Code. He's talked to two new members that want to be involved and one of the first tasks for them to look at is animal control. Councilman Ramsey has one at-large possibility, but agrees to advertise for the position.

Supervisor Blum Bump hopes to make the appointments by the February meeting. The Intermunicipal Task Force plans to come to the February meeting.

Attorney Chale suggests taking care of these issues at a workshop meeting.

Board of Ethics

Attorney Chale suggests extending the terms for the members of the Board of Ethics in order for them to be staggered.

Councilwoman Crane suggests setting Fr. Fred Cartier's term to expire in 2009, Claire Horst in 2010, and Linda Keeling in 2011.

Councilman Ross stated that the committee was asked to do a number of things this past year and there were a number of different members that abstained from a vote. When you're on a committee you can recuse yourself with cause, but you can't abstain when you are in a decision making process if you have to recommend to the Board. You can't abstain because you can't make up your mind or you don't want to say anything. The Ethics Board should be informed of that.

Councilwoman Crane suggests asking the members if they are still interested in serving.

The vote on the Board of Ethics was tabled.

Design Review Committee/Hamlet Buildings Review Committee

Councilman Ross said there are three spots up for appointment – Chris Gilbert, George Michael, and Chair Geoffrey Carter.

Attorney Chale said that there are two vacancies and appointment of a Chair.

The vote on the Committee was tabled.

Recreational Park Commission

Attorney Chale said that there are 7 members on the Recreation Commission. Four members appointed by the Rec Park with approval of the Town Board and three by the Town Board.

Councilman Ramsey said that the names he gave are all recommended by the Rec Park and he'd like to see them all reappointed. They have requested Shannon Miller, past President of the Pool, be on the committee.

RESOLUTION 2007 #24

RE: Recreation Park Commission

On a motion of Councilman Harold Ramsey, seconded by Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Doug Strawinski to the Town of Red Hook Recreational Park Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Hollis Cochran to the Town of Red Hook Recreational Park Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Barbara Fiore to the Town of Red Hook Recreational Park Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Tom Gilbert to the Town of Red Hook Recreational Park Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby appoint Shannon Miller to the Town of Red Hook Recreational Park Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Zoning Review Committee

Councilwoman Crane suggests Mike Carr for the Zoning Review Committee. She will talk to Carl Dowden.

Senior Services Committee

RESOLUTION 2007 #25

RE: Senior Services Committee Appointments

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Rose Rider to the Town of Red Hook Senior Services Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Karen Campbell to the Town of Red Hook Senior Services Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Barbara Jeck to the Town of Red Hook Senior Services Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Agriculture and Open Space Committee

RESOLUTION 2007 #26

RE: Agriculture & Open Space Committee Appointments

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Harold Ramsey, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Robert McKeon to the Town of Red Hook Agriculture and Open Space Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008 and as chair for a term to expire December 31, 2007.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Maryann Johnson to the Town of Red Hook Agriculture and Open Space Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Beth Mead to the Town of Red Hook Agriculture and Open Space Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Economic Development Committee

RESOLUTION 2007 #27

RE: Economic Development Committee Appointments

On a motion of Councilman Harold Ramsey, seconded by Councilman James Ross, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Robert Burnswick to the Town of Red Hook Economic Development Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Ryan McCann to the Town of Red Hook Economic Development Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Brad Mitchell to the Town of Red Hook Economic Development Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Doug Moat as Chair of the Town of Red Hook Economic Development Committee for a term to expire December 31, 2007.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Water Board

RESOLUTION 2007 #28

RE: Water Board Appointments

On a motion of Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Sue Crane, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Hank VanParys as Chair of the Town of Red Hook Water Board for a term to expire December 31, 2007.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook does hereby reappoint Hank VanParys to the Town of Red Hook Water Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Farmland Protection Committee, Greenway and Trails and other Advisor Committees – will be on the February agenda.

Councilman Ramsey requested that the Fire Pension Plan and the Highway Garage be added to the February agenda.

On a motion of Supervisor Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Crane move to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Adopted Ayes 4 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Ramsey
 Nays 0

Respectfully submitted,

Susan McCann Town Clerk