

Workshop

A workshop of the Red Hook Town Board was held Tuesday, March 7, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Supervisor – Marirose Blum Bump
Councilman – Jim Ross
Councilwoman – Sue Crane
Councilwoman – Jean Bordewich
Councilman – Harold Ramsey
Town Clerk – Susan McCann

Supervisor Blum Bump announced that on March 15, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. the Dutchess County Legislature, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY will be honoring Margaret Doty for her 27 years of service as the Town Clerk. All are welcome to attend.

SUPERVISORS REPORT – January 31, 2006 Town of Red Hook Monthly Statement of the Supervisor revised to reflect (partial) budgeted transfer of \$100,000 from B to DB Fund and revised interest earnings on same.

On motion of Councilman Ross, seconded by Councilwoman Crane the revised Supervisor's Report for January 31, 2006 was

Adopted Ayes 5 Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
 Nays 0

RIVER VALLEY MARKETING PRESENTATION – Dick Wambach and Matthew Cherney present new design concept for the Town of Red Hook's website. Dick Wambach presented web site proposal and quote of the costs and services that will be provided to the Town for the re-development, redesign, hosting and maintenance for the web site. Supervisor Blum Bump thanked them for coming, the Board will take a look a proposal and we'll have you back.

AGRICULTURE AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE – Chairman Robert McKeon

Transfer of Development Rights – the county has had several forums, this is a tool which we should explore. Pace has helped the Town answer some of the TDR questions they had. We have the attention and assistance of county planning. John Clarke from D.C. Planning is helping us with some of the technical questions.

Community Preservation Act - The Board was wise on the 14th of Feb. to support this important tool. I suggest a cover letter goes with the resolution to Senator Saland. Robert McKeon will draft a letter to Senator Saland for Marirose to sign. Councilwoman Crane will speak to Senator Saland and would be happy to get that to him. Councilwoman Bordewich feels we don't need to discuss any further, let's get it in and get moving. Our Planning chair is attending March 14th – Lobby Day. Red Hook is a model for preservation. Zoning needs to conform to our comprehensive plan. Draft of preserve area 1/26/06 map presented to view tonight only.

Moratorium on new subdivisions in agricultural preserve - 700 lots in agricultural preserve – 170 that are vacant – moratorium would be applied to 10 acres. Wants 12 month moratorium to give them time to answer the TDR question. Councilwoman Bordewich asks what it would take to move forward. What are the next steps? We need a public hearing. Councilwoman Bordewich... we need to get our zoning to support our Master Plan (a comprehensive plan). Councilwoman Crane...we need a committee to look into this. John Clarke from DC Planning is very helpful. The Board questions Robert on why he feels it should be a 6 or 12 month moratorium and why aren't all the parcels that have an agriculture exemption on your map.

The Town Board and Town Attorney are to review memo dated March 7, 2006 with attached draft moratorium and respond by Friday, memo will not go to Keane & Beane until Board has time to respond.

REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS/INTERMUNICIPAL TASK FORCE-

Brief report by Bill O'Neill – John Clarke is doing a sketch plan concerning Cookingham Farm area which should be ready by March 17th. We will ask him to emphasize commercial development area. The Task Force will review Soap Factory, Anderson Commons, Perx Property and also trying to identify growth zones. Dutchess

County Planning does not see that development north of the village as being suitable for a PDR program. South of the Village has 3 areas proposing development which increase the density in those areas. Will invite School Board, Chamber of Commerce to each of the task force meetings beginning in April – want these entities to be aware of what’s going on.

Want specific idea of what to do in order to change the zoning. Appraisals have not come in yet.

GRANT UPDATE –

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2005 (120,000.00) – “To survey, engineer, and place on the official map a residential collector street linking Route 9 to Route 199”.

- a. Resolution to amend Highway Spec’s to include traditional neighborhood roads.
- b. Determine survey of proposed road
- c. Engineer the project, lighting, trees, street parking etc.
- d. Place on official map
- e. Proposal to be sent to John Clarke at DC Planning

Supervisor Blum Bump to make initial phone call to landowners.

Village to Village Trail – Councilwoman Bordewich...Wayne and Jean met with Howie Callies, this Saturday at north end of park they will begin to start clearing brush. The county is to put stone dust walking path from Park Ave along Linden Ave to bridge (as trail). Trail signs to lead to Cruger Island Road. Supervisor Blum Bump read letter to Diane Fanelli stating from Army Corps of Engineers that they don’t need a sign off for bridge over wetlands. Grant runs out the end of June. Linda Keeling...is it ADA approved, Supervisor Blum Bump...yes, it is 6 feet wide.

ST. MARGARET’S HOME ACQUISITION UPDATE - Amy Dubin and Winty Aldrich attended the Planning Board meeting on 3/6/2006. The Planning Board granted the final subdivision plat approval. After a few more steps, should be subdivided and deed signed.

OUTDOOR FURNACE MORATORIUM - do we ban or regulate – we’ll discuss at next workshop. Steve Cole has handout.

RFQ for Town Attorney – Board reviews RFQ – make minor changes. Councilwoman Bordewich would like to survey other towns in our area to have a comparison of compensation. Councilman Ross ... let’s send out the advertisement as soon as possible. Councilman Ramsey...Would like to be able to appoint someone by mid April, at least by May meeting.

RECREATION PARK BALL FIELDS TASK FORCE UPDATE – Councilwoman Crane...we are waiting for the Migliorelli appraisal. Task force members are still willing to work towards gaining Rec land. Councilman Ross – brought up the school districts need for a baseball field.

SIDEWALK ISSUE, STREET LIGHT ISSUE - Councilman Ramsey would like to look at sidewalks put in from Butler & Sons to Rokeby Rd - Dan Wheeler has past information.

Street lights west end of College Park – Councilman Ramsey talked to Central Hudson – need approval from Town Board to install 2 or 3 lights, will follow up with Town Attorney.

Water drainage complaint on Glen Ridge Road is holding up Innishannon approval.

Councilman Ramsey...reminder – parking ordinance hearing was not voted on. Need to vote next week.

REC. PARK FEE ISSUE – ANDERSON COMMONS, ETC. - Board needs to make decision.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS REGARDING THE ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS ANNUAL MEETING–

Councilman Ramsey... interested in NY State Small Cities grants for infrastructure and economic development. Fishkill and Tivoli have been in the program. Will bring in information.

Councilwoman Bordewich...Financial Responsibilities of Town Board members – multi budgeting (ended the session before they got to that point of the agenda). Changing Regulatory Framework for Cable Television – could be an issue if we renegotiate with Time Warner.

Supervisor Blum Bump brought up letter from concerned citizen on Sunrise Drive asking that zoning law be addressed regarding property on corner of Sunrise Drive and Yantz Road.

Councilman Ross suggests the Zoning Review check into this. The Board discussed the property.

Grant programs – information to go to mailboxes.

Councilman Ross asked about a chairman of CAC & Trails Committee - Brenda Cagle's name came up for CAC and Howie Callies and Micki Strawinski co-chairs for Trails.

Board needs to make a decision on fee plans and recreation land. Town attorney's letter suggests \$900.00 fee. Not in favor of accepting land – question of when application was put in. Councilman Ross...we should accept \$900.00 fee because application put in before change.

On motion of Supervisor Blum Bump, seconded by Councilwoman Crane the meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Adopted	Ayes 5	Blum Bump, Ross, Crane, Bordewich, Ramsey
	Nays 0	

Respectfully submitted,

Susan McCann, Town Clerk