

RED HOOK TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 24, 2020

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York was convened by Zoom Videoconference due to COVID-19 pandemic stay in place rules at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Robert McKeon
Councilmember William O'Neill
Councilmember Christine Kane
Councilmember William Hamel
Councilmember Jacob Testa
Town Clerk Sue McCann
Also Present: Attorney Christine Chale
Highway Superintendent Theresa Burke

Supervisor McKeon opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The Supervisor's report dated May 31, 2020 was read as follows: Opening balance - \$8,294,656.20; Receipts - \$774,717.59; Disbursed - \$1,017,263.53; Balance - \$8,052,110.26. Supervisor McKeon referred to budget adjustments in the General A Fund and Highway DB Fund, related to office supplies, the culvert project, variance report and tally of funds in the CPF.

On a motion of Councilmember Kane seconded by Councilmember Testa moved to accept the Supervisor's report and budget adjustments.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, O'Neill, Kane, Hamel, Testa
Nays 0

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk's report for the period May 1 – May 31, 2020 was read as follows: Total local shares remitted to the Supervisor - \$1,086.50, Amount remitted to NYS Ag. & Markets - \$50.00; Amount remitted to NYS Dept. of Health - \$67.50; Total State & Local revenue - \$1,204.00. Town Clerk McCann informed the Board that she settled the taxes with the County. The amount collected for the Town was \$3,157,126.17.

On a motion of Councilmember Hamel seconded by Councilmember O'Neill moved to approve the Town Clerk's report.

Adopted Ayes 5 McKeon, O'Neill, Kane, Hamel, Testa
Nays 0

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor McKeon announced the following:

- The Senior car parade will take place on June 27 at 11:00 a.m.
- Graduation at Hyde Park Drive-in on June 30, limited to families only
- July 4th fireworks at the DC Fairgrounds (stay in vehicles)
- Recreation park construction is in full swing, should be finished mid to late July
- Mid-Hudson region entered phase 3 yesterday (COVID-19)
- Town Hall will reopen a few weeks after phase 4

PUBLIC HEARING

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND – BRITTANY HOLLOW FARM PROJECT

Supervisor McKeon opened the public hearing.

Town Clerk McCann read the public hearing notice.

Supervisor McKeon introduced Erin Hoagland from Dutchess Land Conservancy.

Erin explained the land project and the success working with the Town on easement projects and presented and explained various maps of the property.

Councilmember Kane asked where the Hucklebush Rail line is in relation to this. Is it near the property? She wants to make sure that access is not overlooked.

Erin will look into it, she didn't know. She moved on to a budget sheet dated May 20 and explained the numbers. The Town's portion is \$94,675, Dutchess County and Scenic Hudson are contributing and Scenic Hudson will hold the easement for the project.

Supervisor McKeon explained that the money from the Town will come from the Community Preservation Fund which is dedicated to these projects.

Erin pointed out portions of the property not included in the project.

Attorney Chale asked if there were any comments from the public through email or phone call.

Supervisor McKeon had no comments from anyone.

Attorney Chale reviewed the SEQRA determination. She explained the resolution. The Town will be a third-party owner of the easement subject to final approval.

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilmember O'Neill moved to close the public hearing.

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, O'Neill, Kane, Hamel, Testa
	Nays	0	

**TOWN OF RED HOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 28
DATED JUNE 24, 2020**

RESOLUTION GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF MONEYS IN THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS OF THE BRITTANY HOLLOW FARM

WHEREAS, an application and certain supplemental information has been submitted by Darryl J. and Deborah J. Mosher for the Brittany Hollow Farm, for approximately 60 total acres, consisting of an approximately 37.39 acre parcel of property, Tax Map ID No. 134889-6271-00-073869, in the Town of Red Hook, New York, an approximately 10.01 acre parcel of property, Tax Map ID No. 134889-6271-00-180845, in the Town of Red Hook, New York (collectively the "Red Hook Parcels"), and an approximately 12.6 acre parcel of property, Tax map ID No. 135089-6271-00-060795, in the Town of Rhinebeck, New York, all located on Albany Post Road in Dutchess County, New York (together with the Red Hook Parcels, collectively the "Project Parcels"); and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly held by the Town Board on the 24th day of June, 2020 at 7:45 p.m. (Prevailing Time), via teleconference, with comments being accepted by telephone prior to and at the hearing, and which hearing was available to view live at www.pandatv23.org, and discussion on the matter having been had and all persons desiring to be heard having been heard, including those in favor of and those in opposition regarding the acquisition of an interest or right in real property to preserve open space with respect to the Red Hook Parcels; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 57 of the Town Code, the Town Board has established a Community Preservation Fund ("CPF"), has adopted a Community Preservation Project Plan (the "CPF Plan"), and has issued a request for applications under the CPF Plan; and the Community Preservation Fund Advisory Board ("CPF Board") has reviewed the proposals received based on the priority rankings set forth in the CPF Plan, and has recommended that the Town Board allocate moneys from the CPF for the Red Hook Parcels; and

WHEREAS, the proposed acquisition cost for the sale of development rights in the Project Parcels is estimated not to exceed \$283,500, which cost is supported by a self-contained appraisal report by Farm Credit East Appraisal Service by Paul Herrington, ARA, valued as of September 18, 2019, dated October 7, 2019; and

WHEREAS acquisition of a conservation easement constitutes a Type II action under 6 NYCRR Section 617.5(c)(39), which has been determined not to require further SEQR review; and

WHEREAS, with respect to the Project Parcels, the Town's proposed project partner, Dutchess Land Conservancy, Inc. ("DLC"), applied for funding for fifty percent of the acquisition costs under the Dutchess County Partnership for Manageable Growth program, with additional funding proposed to be provided by The Scenic Hudson Land Trust, Inc. ("SHLT") and in kind contributions to be provided by DLC. The total project cost is estimated not to exceed \$336,800, and the Town's share, attributable to the Red Hook Parcels only, is estimated not to exceed \$94,675, and is proposed to be financed from the CPF Program; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that DLC shall hold a perpetual conservation easement with respect to the Red Hook Parcels in which the Town and SHLT would have third party enforcement rights; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has given due consideration to the recommendation of the CPF Board, and has further reviewed the application documents and appraisal and has determined that the purchase of development rights in the Red Hook Parcels is a high priority project on the basis of the

importance of the resources to be preserved, the anticipated availability of funding by others, and the availability of funding under the Town's CPF; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of development rights in the Red Hook Parcels as proposed is in the best interests of the Town;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York, that the purchase of development rights from moneys in the Community Preservation Fund and the establishment of a conservation easement to be held by Dutchess Land Conservancy, with the Town holding a third party enforcement right with respect to the Red Hook Parcels described herein, is preliminarily approved with a Town share estimated not to exceed \$94,675, on the proposed terms set forth herein and subject to the following conditions:

Final approval of the other funding sources described herein;

Submission and review of a final appraisal addressed to the Town which includes the terms of the conservation easement;

The terms of the conservation easement are to be approved by the Town Board; and

The foregoing conditions are to be satisfied within twelve months from the date hereof unless such date is extended by further resolution of the Board.

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York, was convened in public session via videoconference and/or teleconference pursuant to Executive Order 202.1, as amended, on June 24, 2020 at 7:30 p.m., local time. A live transmission was available to the public as described in the notice of meeting attached hereto. The meeting was recorded and a full transcript will be prepared to the extent required by the Executive Order.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Robert McKeon, and, upon roll being called, the following members were: (Note: Where members are marked Present, specify whether In Person at the Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook, NY, via Videoconference, or via Teleconference.)

	Present	Absent
Supervisor Robert McKeon	VIA Videoconference	
Councilmember William Hamel	VIA Videoconference	
Councilmember Christine Kane	VIA Videoconference	
Councilmember William O'Neill	VIA Videoconference	
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VIA Videoconference	

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

Therese Burke, Highway Superintendent

Christine M. Chale, Esq., Attorney for the Town VIA Videoconference.

The following resolution was offered by McKeon, seconded by Kane, to wit;

**TOWN OF RED HOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 28
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COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS OF THE BRITTANY
HOLLOW FARM**

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William O'Neill	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Dutchess County Legislator Kristofer Munn gave a power point presentation regarding the economy, Dutchess County's sales tax and the 2020-2021 State budget.

Supervisor McKeon reviewed sales tax numbers from the last few months. He thanked Mr. Munn.

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION FROM 35 TO 25 MPH ON COLLEGE PARK ROADWAYS

Supervisor McKeon explained the resolution requesting a speed limit reduction in College Park. The NYS Department of Transportation makes the decision regarding speed limits. He asked the Board's support of sending a letter to the Governor's office explaining the issue with speed limits in residential neighborhoods. The Board agreed.

**RESOLUTION NO. 29
DATED: JUNE 24, 2020**

RESOLUTION REQUESTING REVIEW AND MODIFICATION OF SPEED LIMITS ON COLLEGE PARK SUBDIVISION ROADS

WHEREAS, the Town of Red Hook has noted the need for modification of speed limits on the roads within the College Park subdivision; and in particular the Town Board has noted that the area is entirely residential and densely populated with numerous intersections and limited road lengths;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook as follows:

The Town Board of the Town of Red Hook hereby requests that the Commissioner of the Dutchess County Department of Public Works take all steps necessary to provide for the reduction of the speed limit on the roads within the College Park Subdivision, including Harvard Street, Princeton Street, Amherst Street, Columbia Avenue, Cornell Avenue, Vassar Road, and Thayer Lane, from the townwide limit of 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour.

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Supervisor Robert McKeon	Videoconference	
Councilmember William Hamel	Videoconference	
Councilmember Christine Kane	Videoconference	
Councilmember William O'Neill	Videoconference	
Councilmember Jacob Testa	Videoconference	

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

Theresa Burke, Highway Superintendent, via Videoconference
Christine M. Chale, Esq., Attorney for the Town, VIA Videoconference.

The following resolution was offered by McKeon, seconded by Hamel, to wit;

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VOTING: Aye

Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William O'Neill	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST SCHOOL ZONE STATUS AT MILL ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Supervisor McKeon explained the resolution.

Councilmember Hamel asked Highway Superintendent Burke if the school cautionary sign can be moved in the mean time.

Highway Superintendent Burke will look into the requirements to see what can be done there. The cautionary sign was there before the speed limit signs were installed.

**TOWN OF RED HOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 30
DATED: JUNE 24, 2020**

RESOLUTION REQUESTING A SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMIT ON ROCKEFELLER LANE IN THE VICINITY OF MILL ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Town of Red Hook has noted that the speed limit on Rockefeller Lane in the vicinity of Mill Road Elementary School is an inappropriate speed limit of 45 mph; and

WHEREAS, based on input from area residents and conditions in the area of the school, the Town Board has noted that a reduced school zone speed limit of 15 to 25 mph should be established on Rockefeller Lane between Mill Road and a point approximately 300 feet from the easterly school property line; and

WHEREAS, the safety of the children, families and residents using the school facilities for school activities, playgrounds, after school and community activities, is predicated upon the ability of those individuals to utilize the roadways for walking, driving, and biking; and

WHEREAS, the Town recommends that NYSDOT study the need and benefit of estimated school zone speed limit at 25 mph or whatever lesser limit safety would require;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:

1. The Town Board of the Town of Red Hook hereby requests that Commissioner of the Dutchess County Department of Public Works and the New York State Department of Transportation take all steps necessary to provide for the establishment of a school zone speed limit on Rockefeller Lane in the vicinity of Mill Road Elementary School at 25 miles per hour or such lesser limit as safety may require.

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Councilmember William O’Neill	Videoconference	
Councilmember Jacob Testa	Videoconference	

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

Christine M. Chale, Esq., Attorney for the Town, VIA Videoconference.

Theresa Burke, Highway Superintendent

The following resolution was offered by McKeon, seconded by Kane, to wit;

**TOWN OF RED HOOK
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DATED JUNE 24, 2020**

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ROCKEFELLER LANE IN THE VICINITY OF MILL ROAD ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William O’Neill	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTIONS – INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS/RHINEBECK & MILAN

**RESOLUTION NO. 31
DATED JUNE 24, 2020**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE
TOWN OF RHINEBECK FOR SHARED SERVICES REGARDING HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS
SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook has determined that entering into an Intermunicipal Agreement for Municipal Shared Services regarding Highway Department/Public Works Services between the Town of Red Hook and the Town of Rhinebeck in substantially the form on file with the Town Clerk (the “Intermunicipal Agreement”), is in the best interests of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action constitutes a Type II action which will not have an adverse effect on the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York (by the favorable vote of not less than a majority of all of the members of the Board) as follows:

1. The Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Intermunicipal Agreement in substantially the form on file with the Town Clerk, with such changes as shall be approved by the Supervisor and which do not affect the substance thereof.
2. The Supervisor the Town Clerk, and the Town’s other officers, employees and agents are hereby authorized and directed for, and in the name and on behalf of the Town, to do all acts and things required or provided by the provisions of the Intermunicipal Agreement.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:

Christine M. Chale, Esq., Attorney for the Town, VIA Videoconference.

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Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William O'Neill	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. 32
DATED JUNE 24, 2020**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF MILAN FOR SHARED SERVICES REGARDING HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook has determined that entering into an Intermunicipal Agreement for Municipal Shared Services regarding Highway Department/Public Works Services between the Town of Red Hook and the Town of Milan in substantially the form on file with the Town Clerk (the "Intermunicipal Agreement"), is in the best interests of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action constitutes a Type II action which will not have an adverse effect on the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York (by the favorable vote of not less than a majority of all of the members of the Board) as follows:

1. The Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Intermunicipal Agreement in substantially the form on file with the Town Clerk, with such changes as shall be approved by the Supervisor and which do not affect the substance thereof.
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The following persons were ALSO PRESENT:
Christine M. Chale, Esq., Attorney for the Town, VIA Videoconference.
Theresa Burke, Highway Superintendent

The following resolution was offered by McKeon, seconded by Kane, to wit;

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The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Robert McKeon	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William Hamel	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Christine Kane	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember William O’Neill	VOTING: Aye
Councilmember Jacob Testa	VOTING: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMENTS

Supervisor McKeon shared the following correspondence:

- A letter the Board received from former Councilmember Sarah Imboden. He had a conversation with her about some information in the letter.
- Northern Dutchess branch of the NAACP regarding the mural in the Village
- Royal Carting will be raising costs associated with bringing garbage to the Recycling facility

On a motion of Supervisor McKeon seconded by Councilmember Hamel moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Adopted	Ayes	5	McKeon, O’Neill, Kane, Hamel, Testa
	Nays	0	

Respectfully submitted,

Sue McCann, Town Clerk