

**A REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF DURHAM, APRIL 19, 2011**

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Durham, County of Greene and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 7309 State Route 81, East Durham, NY on the 19th, day of April.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Gary Hulbert	----	Supervisor
	Linda Sutton	----	Councilperson
	Jerry Cunningham	----	Councilperson
	Jodi Wood	----	Councilperson
	Chris Kohrs	----	Town Clerk
<b>ABSENT:</b>	William Carr	----	Deputy Supervisor

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Alan Beechert-Highway Superintendent, Larry Cooke-Code Enforcement Officer, David Cunningham-Building Inspector, and ten community members.

Supervisor Hulbert called the meeting to order 7:34 p.m.

Mary Beth Bianconi, Delaware Engineering for GSK/Stiefel Lab. Presented the modifications to their original site plan review application. Many of the changes are due to knowledge they have obtained since acquiring the plant.

The changes to the original EAF, corrected the Corporate Name and address as the property transfer from Stiefel's to GSK is not yet complete the application needs to be in Stiefel's name. The original plan called for an expansion of building 1A on the west side, towards State Route 145. That expansion has been eliminated and will instead expand alongside the building. The height of the building will remain at 24 feet, the same as the existing building.

They have an application into the Army Corp of Engineers due to necessary site work in the area of the existing pond.

The main entrance will just have a security entrance this change will occur internally with no visible difference to the outside appearance.

The drawing now has hatch marks showing the storm water drainage swales, which will allow the run off to flow into the existing pond to be treated prior to entering Thorpe Creek.

They are constructing a new loading dock on at the rear of the manufacturing building. This extension will be enclosed, squaring the building up. The height of the extension will be shorter than the existing building.

The product storage tank area is under construction and currently there are no changes.

The new wastewater treatment plant is started. They will not be erecting the silo to handle the sugar waste, as the anticipated waste is not enough to operate the

heating unit they had planned on using. They are constructing the pond for the silo should the need in the future arise.

GSK is working with the neighbors who experienced a water issue when the testing was performed last year. GSK is paying a private hydrologist to test the wells for the neighbors and determine what the cause and solution will be.

Tal will submit the site plan changes to the county planning board for review on May 18 (Mary Beth will attend to address questions) and comments the public hearing will be June 7, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

**Mr. Cunningham motioned to approve the minutes of March 1 and 15, 2011 seconded by Ms. Wood all in favor motion carried.** (4-yea Hulbert, Sutton, Cunningham, Wood 1-absent Carr)

Highway Superintendent Beechert reported the new snowplow has finally arrived and he has ordered the tandem snowplow. The crew has started the ten-hour workday. The summer equipment is ready to be commissioned as soon as the weather cooperates. The edge of road clean up, signage and sweeping has commenced.

NYS Dept of Workplace Safety performed an inspection finding only three minor violations all have since been corrected. They also require we adopt a Work Place Violence Plan. Cindy is working on the policy.

Building Inspector Cunningham reported issuing two certificates of compliance and following up on some projects.

Code Enforcement Officer Cooke reported completing eleven inspections resulting in one new violation. One case remains in Town Court. He will begin the annual spring and fire inspections shortly.

The GSK and Blackthorne projects are swiftly moving along. Blackthorne will open the end of April with a temporary certificate of occupancy while waiting for a few items to be completed.

Reports from the judges' were received.

Sgt. Sutton reported his department has handled thirty-one complaints this month.

Attorney Rappleyea had nothing new to report.

Clerk/Collector reported \$629,223.64 remains uncollected. Second notices will go out the beginning of May.

**Ms. Wood motioned to approve a bond anticipation note for \$60,000 subject to permissive referendum seconded by Mr. Cunningham all in favor motion carried.** (4-yea Hulbert, Sutton, Cunningham, Wood 1-absent Carr)

The board asked that Attorney Rappleyea follow up with the Columbia County Conservation Preservation group regarding a presentation to the town board.

Highway Superintendent Moore explained that part of County Route 27 has fallen in near the intersection of Stonitch Road. Jersey barriers are in place to keep vehicles from falling in. Greene County Highway has applied for an emergency permit to replace the box culvert before we loose the rest of the road.

There will be a town wide roadside clean up on April 30 starting at 10 a.m. the town will provide the bags.

**FROM:** A-1990.400 Contingent \$ 99.00  
Municipal Assoc

**TO:** A-1920.400 Dues \$ 99.00

*\*Quote error from the Association of Towns*

**FROM:** General Surplus \$ 5,000.00

**TO:** A-5132.208 Capital-Buildings \$ 5,000.00

*\*Upgrade lighting*

**FROM:** General Surplus \$ 7,100.00  
Engineer,

**TO:** A-1440.400 Contractual \$ 7,100.00

*\*Engineer fees for GSK*

**FROM:** A-1990.400 Contingent \$ 1,300.00  
Building Dept,

**TO:** A-3620.200 Capital \$ 1,300.00

*\*Software Upgrade-Approved 2010*

**Abstract #106, consisting of 2011 Vouchers #308 through #333  
for \$55,457.18 broken down as follows:**

General Funds \$ 7,093.30

Highway Funds

Trust & Agency \$ 48,363.88

**Abstract #107, consisting of 2011 Vouchers #334 through #415  
for \$138,696.48 broken down as follows:**

General Funds \$ 82,207.69

Highway Funds \$ 55,703.41

Street Lighting \$ 785.38

**Ms. Wood motioned to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sutton.**

**Minutes approved:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Kohrs, Clerk/Collector