

TOWN BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 16, 2011

Opened & Called to Order 7:32pm

Adjourned 8:40pm

In attendance: Gary Hulbert  
Linda Sutton  
Wm Carr  
Jodi Wood

Absent: Jerry Cunningham

Others: Alan Beechert  
Tal Rappalyea  
David Cunningham  
Patti Handel, Greene Cty Leg.

Minutes Approved 1<sup>st</sup>-Linda Sutton 2<sup>nd</sup> -Jodi Wood, carried.

Legislator Handel reported that the Legislators are drafting a letter to NYS DOT for a traffic study to be done on State Route 145 along the Cairo Durham High School/ Middle School corridor. A conversation ensued regarding the tragic accident and the other letters being sent by School, Town and County Highway agency also requesting a lowering of the speed limit and other safety devices possible being used. Ms. Handel also stated that they are actively seeking candidates for the opened positions on the IDA board and asked for referrals or applicants to mail in their resumes.

Supervisor Hulbert asked the various departments to give their monthly reports. Highway Superintendent Beechert reported on the work being completed and welcomed new highway employee, Paul Capulli. Justice Kennedy requested permission to attend this year's NYS Magistrates Conference in Buffalo, NY from September 25<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup>. Motion from Jodi Wood to go and seconded by Linda Sutton, carried.

Town Attorney Tal Rappalyea updated the board on Wind tower information requested. He recommended an engineer firm be obtained to over see the plans and construction of the towers and an escrow account be set up, estimating a \$3,500 initial deposit would be needed for both projects currently being discussed. A recommendation of Lamont Engineering was made for this type of project.

The tax collector's report noted that the books and remaining balance of payments were too delivered to the County Treasurer's office on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Durham Preservation community announced a workshop on Sept 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 12:00n on “How to List a House on the Historical Register”.

Public Hearing – Rachubinski – Reopened 7:45pm - Plans presented showing the requested 50’ for the right of way road. Review and completed the SEQRA short form. Motion from Jodi Wood for a Negative Declaration, seconded by Wm Carr, all carried, closed 7:52pm.

Motion-Subdivision Approval            1<sup>st</sup>-Jodi Wood 2<sup>nd</sup>-Wm Carr All Carried

Public Hearing – Nesson – did not show.

Conversation ensued regarding Wind Towers and the requirements to file and build the towers with Debra Armstrong and audience members. Ms. Armstrong had concerns regarding the time issues regarding her grant application (filed 6/28/22) for funding of her project and that she is exempt from the standard requirements due to her farm status for the project. The wind tower can only supply power to the farm and not the residential house. Discussion on the height and location of the tower determined that height and location variances would be needed and a signed executed lease from the property owner was still needed. It was decided Bill and Tal would do a conference call with Lamont Engineering to review the farm status of the application and other information. The public hearing was extended to September 6 and another set of letters need to be sent to the adjoining residences August 25<sup>th</sup> to adhere to the 10 day notification requirement.

Motion to transfer funds and pay bills by Linda Sutton seconded by Jodi Wood.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jodi Wood and seconded by Bill Carr.

Cindy Moore  
Bookkeeper