

**COUNTY OF GREENE  
TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
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At 7:15 pm, Town Clerk Brooks opened 4 bids for the advertised asphalt roller: from Anderson Equipment Company [\$44,382, new], Abele Tractor and Equipment Company [\$20,212, used], and SC Hansen, Inc [\$42,100 and \$48,500, both new]. Councilman Norris and Highway Superintendent Jordan sat with the bids to determine if they met published specifications and determined one is not in compliance; Abele product is used, and does comply with specifications for \$20,212.

No bids were received for the surplus boom mower. One interested party was known, discussion re advertising and Internet. Councilman Norris and Jordan will discuss.

Supervisor Louis called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending were: Councilwoman McKeon, Councilmen Kuenster, Norris, and Byas, Attorney for the Town Wukitsch, Highway Superintendent Jordan, Town Clerk Brooks, and 6 members of the public. Absent: Tax Collector Stuart.

Supervisor Louis welcomed all attending, stating the surplus boom mower would not be sold, and Sandy Mathes is not in attendance, and Ambulance District 2 contract (Which arrived 20 minutes before the meeting) is different from the version Supervisor sent.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the **June 9, 2008 Regular Town Board Meeting** were presented for approval.

Following resolution to establish a historic center line on Jennings Road, the sentence before that resolution is offered, reads, "said Town resident does not have an interest..." [add] "in this ongoing dispute."

With that change, Councilwoman McKeon moved, seconded by Supervisor Louis.

Adopted       Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
                  Nays-0

The minutes of the **June 23, 2008 Town Board Work Meeting** were presented for approval.

In first paragraph, sentence should read as follows, "Mid-Hudson Cablevision calculated in a letter to Attorney Wukitsch slightly over \$14, 000 and offered to pay in 2 payments..." [add] "with the second payment to be made by July 30, 2008."

With that changes, Supervisor Louis moved, seconded by Councilwoman McKeon.

Adopted       Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
                  Nays-0

**CORRESPONDENCE**

From **Greene County Planning's** Warren Hart comes a brochure of recommendations in an attempt to give the County's Planning Department direction in how the Towns might receive assistance in their ongoing planning efforts.

From **NYSDEC**, a letter of acknowledgement for New Baltimore's local law, and that New Baltimore is recognized as a community participating in the **National Flood Insurance Program**.

From **Greene IDA**, a resolution from their board of directors adopting the findings statement for **Exit 21B Destination Park**, ending the environmental review process, also on the IDA website.

From **Senator Seward**, acknowledgement of Town of New Baltimore's comments on **open burning**, he is more interested in the state legislature setting the policy than the NYSDEC. Supervisor believes the open comment period has been extended.

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From **NYS DOT**, confirmation that they will cut the **guiderail** for the New Baltimore Conservancy's new **boardwalk**, north of the hamlet, and the pedestrian warning signs will be redone in fluorescent green.

From **Office of Court Administration**, notice of August 31, 2008, Justice Court grant deadline.

From **Public Service Commission**, notice that stray voltage testing is occurring.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Public Meeting Schedule for Proposed Zoning and Subdivision Code Revisions**

Supervisor reviewed that the next set of public meetings would occur at 7 pm on July 16 (Medway- Grapeville Firehouse) and July 17 (Cornell Hook and Ladder Firehouse) to provide opportunity for the public to ask questions and provide input on the proposed zoning and subdivision revisions that are not yet before the Town Board.

**Purchase of Used Asphalt Roller**

Town Clerk opened bids for the purchase of an asphalt roller, the bids were reviewed by Councilman Norris and Highway Superintendent Jordan, the low bid is from Abele Tractor [\$20,212], and it complies with specifications. Supervisor read.

**RESOLUTION  
JULY 14, 2008**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BID FOR PURCHASE BY TOWN OF USED  
ASPHALT ROLLER FOR USE BY TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town Board, by Resolution dated June 9, 2008, authorized the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for the purchase of a used asphalt roller to be used by the Town Highway Department, in accordance with specifications to be prepared by the Town Superintendent of Highways, with bids to be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office no later than 4:00 p.m. on July 14, 2008 and to be publicly opened at 7:15 p.m. on July 14, 2008, and

WHEREAS, bids have been received and opened pursuant to the Town Board's authorization, and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid meeting the specifications was offered by Abele Tractor for the amount of \$20,212.00.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the bid of Abele Tractor to sell a used asphalt roller to the Town for use by the Town Highway Department for the amount of \$20,212.00.

Councilman Kuenster moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Norris.

**Adopted      Ayes-5   Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
                     Nays-0**

[Alexander "Sandy" Mathes, Greene County IDA- see MONTHLY REPORTS]

**Sale of Used Boom Mower Attachment**

Supervisor questioned Attorney Wukitsch regarding the placement of an advertisement on e-bay, the boom mower is valuable for parts, and has already been advertised in appropriate fashion. Attorney Wukitsch will check. Superintendent Jordan will advise late inquiries to wait on sending in a random bid till checking is complete.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mid-Hudson Cablevision Franchise Fee Settlement**

Bob and Ann Hallock noticed their cable bill showed a Town other than New Baltimore, contacted Councilman Norris, and Supervisor contacted MidHudson Cablevision with this issue. Mid-Hudson has been responsive in coming up with resolution to the error, 126 subscriptions being paid, 6year look-back period, 2002 to 2007, offering to pay slightly over \$14,000, with \$8,000 to be paid immediately and the balance on July 30, 2008.

**RESOLUTION  
JULY 14, 2008**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN TO ACCEPT  
SETTLEMENT OFFER FROM MID HUDSON CABLEVISION INC.  
FOR INCORRECTLY BILLED FRANCHISE FEES**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that franchise fees for certain residences located in the Town of New Baltimore that are subscribed to services offered by Mid Hudson Cablevision, Inc., have been paid to municipalities other than the Town of New Baltimore, and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has contacted Mid Hudson Cablevision, Inc. to request a full accounting of said franchise fees for the period 2002-2007, and

WHEREAS, Mid Hudson Cablevision, Inc. has responded to the Supervisor's request by providing a full accounting of the franchise fees that were incorrectly paid to other municipalities and that should have been paid to the Town of New Baltimore, and

WHEREAS, by letter dated June 3, 2008, Mid Hudson Cablevision has made an offer to make payment of \$14,097.70 to the Town of New Baltimore in recognition of this error, with \$8,000.00 to be paid immediately, and the balance to be paid by July 30, 2008, and

WHEREAS, said offer includes a commitment to correct these errors so that the Town of New Baltimore is correctly paid the franchise fees due in future years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Attorney for the Town is hereby directed to accept the payment offer tendered by Mid Hudson Cablevision, Inc. in its letter of June 3, 2008, consisting of a total payment of \$14,097.70 for franchise fees not paid for the years 2002-2007, and providing for an immediate payment of \$8,000.00 and the balance of \$6,097.70 to be paid by July 30, 2008.

**Councilman Norris moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Byas.**

**Adopted        Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Byas, Norris  
                     Nays-0**

**Authorization of Contractual Agreement for Ambulance**

This item has been tabled to next month; it had arrived late, and was different from what was discussed.

**Appointment of Summer Parks Program Staff**

Director Amy Decker has been reviewing applications received, with the following result.

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**RESOLUTION  
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**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUMMER PARKS PROGRAM STAFF**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Summer Parks Program for a period of four weeks, commencing July 21, 2008 through August 15, 2008:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Weekly Salary</u>
Michelle Fortney	Asst. Director	\$312.50
Desirea Chamberlin	Counselor	\$130.00
Joshua Decker	Counselor	\$130.00
Matthew DiPace	Counselor	\$130.00
Stephanie Ellis	Counselor	\$130.00
Bernadette Foley	Counselor	\$130.00
Kelsey Lenney	Counselor	\$130.00
Darren McNally	Counselor	\$130.00
Alexandra Randio	Counselor	\$130.00
Kendall Rebusmen	Counselor	\$130.00
Michael West	Counselor	\$130.00

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Summer Parks Program as Alternate Counselors, to fill in as may be required in the absence of any Counselor, at a rate of pay of \$26 per day:

Evan Melick  
Elizabeth Schiller

Councilwoman McKeon moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Kuenster. Discussion ensued regarding cost of the parks program.

**Adopted** Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
Nays-0

**Transfer of Funds to Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**

To transfer only the amount of money needed to make the purchase of the used roller, Supervisor Louis read. The other \$5,000 that would not be transferred is expected to be put back into the budget to cover increasing costs.

**RESOLUTION  
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**RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM HIGHWAY FUND TO  
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the 2008 Highway Fund Budget includes an appropriation for the transfer of funds to the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Equipment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to transfer the amount of \$10,000 from the Highway Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Equipment.

Councilman Norris moved to adopt, seconded by Councilwoman McKeon.

**Adopted** Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
Nays-0

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**Authorization of Expenditure of Funds from Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**

**RESOLUTION  
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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS  
FROM THE HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT FUND OF THE TOWN OF  
NEW BALTIMORE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A USED ASPHALT ROLLER  
FOR USE BY THE TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore established a capital reserve fund on December 10, 1991 of the general type for the purchase of highway equipment to be called the Highway Equipment Fund; and

WHEREAS the Town Board has authorized the advertisement of bids for the purchase of a used Asphalt Roller to be used by the Town Highway Department, and

WHEREAS said bids were opened on July 14, 2008, and Abele Tractor has submitted the lowest bid in the amount of \$20,212.00 for a used Asphalt Roller meeting the Town's bid specifications.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes that the amount of \$20,212.00 be expended from the Highway Equipment Fund towards the purchase of a used asphalt roller, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be subject to permissive referendum as provided by law.

Councilman McKeon moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Kuenster. Councilman Byas asked about the cost of the rental, rental is paid from Highway Fund, answered Supervisor. Councilman Byas asked about the credit for the rental; Superintendent Jordan said they already gave that credit. Supervisor repeated that the rental is paid from the Highway Fund.

**Adopted Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
Nays-0**

**Budget Amendments**

Supervisor asked for a motion to waive reading in favor of a summarization; Councilwoman McKeon moved, seconded by Councilman Norris.

**Motion Carried Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas  
Nays-0**

**RESOLUTION  
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**RESOLUTION TO AMEND 2008 BUDGET**

RESOLVED, that the following amendments to the 2008 budget are hereby adopted:

**GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:**

ACCOUNT	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	CHANGE
A1440.4 ENGINEERING CONTRACTUAL	500	3,000	2,500
A1620.4 BUILDINGS CONTRACTUAL	17,000	22,000	5,000
A1990.4 CONTINGENT	5,000	0	(5,000)
A5132.4 GARAGE CONTRACTUAL	13,000	15,500	2,500

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A7989.4 CULTURAL PROGRAMS	2,600	7,100	4,500
A8030.4 COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING	0	20,000	20,000
A9050.8 UNEMPLOYMENT	0	5,000	5,000

TOTAL CHANGE			34,500
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**GENERAL FUND REVENUES:**

A2999 APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE	75,000	90,000	15,000
A3089 STATE AID - LEGISLATIVE GRANTS	0	19,500	19,500

TOTAL CHANGE			34,500
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**HIGHWAY FUND EXPENDITURES:**

DA5130.2 MACHINERY - CAPITAL	0	7,200	7,200
DA5130.4 MACHINERY CONTRACTUAL	71,000	95,000	24,000

TOTAL CHANGE			31,200
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**HIGHWAY FUND REVENUES:**

ACCOUNT	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	CHANGE
DA1080 PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	27,170	28,421	1,251
DA2999 APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE	15,000	24,064	9,064
DA3501 STATE AID - CHIPS	91,400	112,285	20,885

TOTAL CHANGE			31,200
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**SEWER DISTRICT 1 EXPENDITURES:**

ACCOUNT	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	CHANGE
SS9050.8 UNEMPLOYMENT	0	5,000	5,000
TOTAL CHANGE			0

**SEWER DISTRICT 1 REVENUES:**

APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE	0	5,000	5,000
TOTAL CHANGE			5,000

Supervisor added that many of these changes reflect the legislative grants received by the Town of New Baltimore. Also, amounts were added that were not spent in 2007 that had been budgeted to be spent in 2007.

Councilman McKeon moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Kuenster.

**Adopted Ayes-5 Kuenster, McKeon, Louis, Norris, Byas**  
**Nays-0**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ellie Alfeld brought the approximate \$6500/ year budget for the summer youth parks program to the Board's attention and asked that the Board appoint 2 members to look for programs for seniors, who pay taxes and vote. If agriculture, AgFest, and park

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programming can be supported, it is time to provide programs for seniors. Office of Aging will not even transport seniors to doctors' appointments. Supervisor asked for volunteers; Councilman Byas offered the Old Timers' games. Ellie offered that Voorheesville with a population of 8500, confirmed Attorney Wukitsch, has a senior van and food pantries. Supervisor Louis wants to make sure there are seniors truly interested, a demand for whatever services to be provided, and limits in place. Ellie asked at a recent Board meeting and was called by local pastor within a few days; she would approach regional church government for a grant. Ellie did not want to penalize the young residents, and asked to appoint two members to represent the seniors. Councilman Kuenster will work on this, adding that some things don't cost money; Supervisor wants input from the constituent community, as it would be more readily received and with higher participation; he has met with Coxsackie Supervisor regarding senior services in that community and learned that they are principally social. Ron Kent suggested a senior roster of medical needs; the Town's Emergency Management Committee is addressing this and it is a project for the fall newsletter to develop. Ron Kent asked if there was resolution to Jennings Road question; there is no update.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

Supervisor Louis reported that the Town Board was approving vouchers that appeared on the abstracts prepared for this meeting. Also, a statement of revenues and expenditures has been distributed to the Board.

County Legislator Jim Van Slyke was not present.

Town Clerk Brooks reported 1 C/O searches; Permits: building permits 13, park 3, and conservation fees 4, dog licenses 20, minor subdivisions 8, certified copies 7, photocopies 15, non-commercial zoning application 1, recycling fees with revenue to Town Supervisor of \$ 2,904.18 and non-local revenue disbursed of \$142.64.

Highway Superintendent Jordan reported for the month of June: Finished installing sander on 93 International; Blacktopped areas where we installed new culverts; Mowed and weedwhacked around Town garage; Grader patched several roads with blacktop; Moved picnic tables back to District 3 park from Ag- Fest; Painted grates on sanders; Cleaned beaver dams from culvert pipes; Cleaned up pine tree that fell on West Deans Mill Road; Stoned the rest of parking lot at district 1 park; Dumped 2 loads of playground mulch 1@ district 1 and 1@ district 2; Cleaned up fallen tree on Hillcrest Road; Repaired street sign @ Acquetuck & Deans Mill Road; Replaced signs @ Shady Lane and Gedney Hill Road, and Shady Lane and Sodom Road; Mowed and weedwhacked cemeteries; Mowed grass along roads; Changed oil and filter on 5445 Tractor; Washed, cleaned, and greased all trucks; Grader patched with blacktop every day that it did not rain.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Jim Polverelli reported for June: power off 2+ hours on June 9; power off 17+ hours on June 12 as a squirrel had tripped breaker on pole; Bullock had made control repairs; Town Clerk Brooks had toured plant; and drying beds were cleaned and 7.39 ton of sludge was removed.

Town Historian Clesson Bush reported for the month of June: Responded to a request from an officer of the Ravena-Coeymans Historical Society about the location of a house here in New Baltimore; Arranged for an article for the Town newsletter (John Nickles provided a summary of the history of the Reformed Church on its 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, provided a couple of pictures from the Town collection to accompany the article); Have prepared and exhibited a small history exhibit at the Farmers' Market; Wrote summaries of the history of the properties on the New Baltimore Conservancy farm tour; Received a donation of a box of legal and personal papers from Betty and John Nickles that they found in their home; research determined that they were from a person who lived in Athens; Took them to the Vedder Research Library at the Greene County Historical Society for preservation; Received from former resident Chuck Friday a list of the 1943

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graduates of the Coeymans High School and pictures of the boat house that used to be near the recycled plastic bridge in the Hudson River Interpretive Trail, of the boat that was stored there, and of Eric and Lil Mole, the couple who ran the corner store previously next to the hamlet post office.

Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector John Cashin and Christian Larsen reported for June as follows: New Building Permit Applications Received – 3; Pool Permit Applications – 1; Building Permits Issued – 4; Building Permits Re-Opened – 10; Building Inspections – 25; Mobile Home Permits Issued – 1; Certificates of Compliance Granted – 5; Stop Work Orders issued – 2; Junk Vehicle Complaints – 1; Court Appearances – 1; Zoning Violation Investigations – 13; Code Violation Investigations – 4; Commercial Site Fire Inspections – 1; Do Not Occupy – 2; Application Fees for Month: \$1,781.22. Total Fees for Year to Date: \$5,112.72

Newsletter Chair Councilman Kuenster reported newsletter was at Hillcrest Press two weeks ago Friday. On Monday, July 7, it was at the mailer. The tardiness of the arrival of the newsletter is a grave concern.

Assessor Gordon Bennett reported the Final Roll has been completed; total assessed value is \$234,136,486 of 2058 parcels at 64% full market value as compared to last year's assessed value of \$229,277,292 for 2034 parcels at 64.50% of full market value. An additional value of \$4,859,194 has been added to the roll. Also, all property owners with a STAR exemption for the 2008-09 school levy are entitled to a 2008 STAR rebate check if they meet the income qualifications on their 2006 NYS income tax return. Enhanced STAR recipients will receive 40% more than what they received on their 2007 star rebate check. Basic STAR recipients rebate checks will remain the same as they were for the 2007 STAR rebate program. For the majority of property owners, qualified owners should receive their check automatically in the fall of 2008. Income is verified by the Department of Taxation and Finance for those whose income is between \$0-90k, \$90k-150k, \$150k-250k. Income eligibility for senior over 65 years old is \$73,000 using their 2007 NYS income tax return. Also, Frank Algozzine will be retiring August 22, but will only be in the office through August 8, 2008.

Agriculture Committee Chair Councilman Kuenster reported they are on summer recess.

Planning Board Chair Lee Davis reported having held two meetings since its June report. At the June 12, 2008 meeting, received minor subdivision application from Malcolm and Brooke Travelsteadt for a two-lot subdivision of their property located on Route 26; public hearing scheduled for 8:15pm on August 14, 2008; received minor subdivision application from Harriet Miller for a two-lot subdivision of her property located on Gill Road at New Baltimore Road; required public hearing scheduled for 7:30pm on July 10, 2008; received minor subdivision application from Jason Eck for a two-lot subdivision of his property located on Route 51; required public hearing scheduled for 7:45pm on July 10, 2008; received minor subdivision application from Rose Beck for a two-lot subdivision of her property located on Deans Mill Road; required public hearing to be scheduled upon surveyor's completion of work. On July 10, 2008 public hearing was held on the Harriet Miller minor subdivision application and the Jason Eck minor subdivision application. In the regular monthly meeting that followed, approved the Harriet Miller minor subdivision, approved the Jason Eck minor subdivision, scheduled the public hearing on proposed Rose Beck minor subdivision for 7:30pm, August 14; received minor subdivision application from Gus and Donna Hoglund for a two-lot subdivision of their property on Kliese Lane, required public hearing scheduled for 7:45pm August 14; held brief discussion with property owner's attorney regarding a subdivision abatement; held brief discussion with property owner's attorney regarding a required submission of a Special Use Permit Application to correct a building use violation; received minor subdivision application from Bartley and Carol Heneghan for a two-lot subdivision of their property located on CR 61; public hearing tentatively scheduled for 8pm on August 14.



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Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Meave Tooher reported the Zoning Board of Appeals met in regular session on July 2, 2008, and heard the application of Bruce and Rose Ubrich for a Use Variance to allow them to continue conducting agricultural activities on their property located in the Commercial District. Required Public Hearing has been scheduled for 7:30 pm, August 6.

Recycling Center Operator Spencer Sebert reported receiving 1 appliance and 1 vehicle battery, revenue to Town of \$ 4.00; also, 3 tires were picked up by Highway crew. For Town Hall Maintenance, Spencer reported having secured loose decking on office door ramp, cleaned gutters, repaired closet door in kitchen, and cleaned outside heat pump and air conditioner units.

Animal Control Officer Joe Tanner had no report.

Fire/EMS /Law Enforcement Norris reported that at the Greene County EMS meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup> basic housekeeping was conducted, the monthly bills were paid and some discussion on purchasing a new fly car next year was discussed. Also, the Town's Emergency Management Committee met on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Alan Van Wormer updated the committee on the latest draft for review by the committee. The final draft should be completed by the next meeting scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup> and could be adopted at the next scheduled Town Board meeting. One of the issues brought up by Town Clerk Janet Brooks was to have a telephone number to call in case of a town emergency. This line would have a message on it informing the caller of what to do, where to go, and what radio or TV station to listen to in case of an emergency. State Telephone was called to inquire about a new line and this service can be provided for minimal cost to the town. This new service may be available in the near future. The need for 911 signs for homes in the town and how to deal with these issues was discussed. It seems that there are many homes throughout the town without clear house numbering making it difficult for emergency services to locate the right home. The 2 volunteer fire departments are looking into ways to address this issue. Have been in contact with Cocksackie Ambulance Chief Leon Rice in reference to a new program they have started. For \$15, the Cocksackie Ambulance Benevolent Association is selling a reflective *emergency 911* sign. For more information call Chief Rice at 731-3684 or 731-3687; web address is <http://cabainc.info>.

For Parks, Councilwoman McKeon reported that stone and mulch were delivered to Town Parks, including for Farmers' Market appearance. As soon as Summer Park Program events calendar is available it will be posted on Town website and in local post offices. A portable climbing rock wall is being considered, also trip to Zoom Flume. Councilman Kuenster asked about trash can in Wyche Park/District 1; only Cornell Park will have a trash can for weekly pick-up.

Promotion/Economic Development Chair Kuenster reported consistent crowds at Farmers' Market, people parking along the road around the 10 o'clock hour. Town Clerk Brooks had received two suggestions regarding the Annual Business Breakfast; to allow a few minutes for each attendant to speak about their business, and to eliminate the invitation in favour of an advertisement in the newspapers, announcing date, place and fee to attend.

Grants had no report.

For Website and Technology, events calendar coming.

Greene IDA Exit 21B Destination Retail Project Update was provided by Alexander Sandy Mathes who had arrived late. The findings statement is complete, ending the SEQR process with 1.4 million feet of space. IDA is negotiating with a variety of potential developers or end users and putting together a pro forma with a hired firm. There is good interest. IDA is trying diligently to acquire key parcels for mitigation north and south of the Thruway exit; some contacts were disappointing, one owner never

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showed up and another piece was purchased by Boat 'n RV. Also, talking to Mabee family and a draft contract is in their lawyers' hands; discussions with Subaru, DiBello is being uncooperative, hoping by end of summer and adoption of new zoning.

Councilman Kuenster questioned the land north and south of the Exit 21B and the plan to keep open space.

Councilman Norris stated that Sandy Mathes (IDA), Councilman Kevin Kuenster, and Rene VanSchaack (IDA) had a nice article in Times Union. Senator Seward has been helpful.

On Community Recreation, Mr. Mathes wants to look at last draft what the Town wants for park enhancements.

Planned Development District, article of zoning law, or pdd, means that someone can come before the Town Board and make a proposal for unconventional zoning, commercial, residential, or any other, and the applicant could propose what otherwise would not be allowed. Town Board can look at proposal, determine if it feels this is or is not right for this particular piece of property. If worth pursuing, the applicant would work with Planning Board for the buildings and the configuration, then come back to Town Board.

The IDA would say, "Here's who we have, where were going," the Town Board says, "Let's talk about concept," and if comfortable, the Town will give zoning change. Mr. Mathes will return in September.

Personnel had no report.

With no more from the Board or the public, Councilman McKeon moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Kuenster.

**Motion Carried      Ayes-5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas  
                                 Nays-0**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully,

Janet A. Brooks  
Town Clerk