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Supervisor O'Rorke called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending: Councilwoman Finke, Councilman Byas, Highway Superintendent Jordan, and 31 members of the public who signed the attendance sheet. Absent: Councilmen Meredith (in hospital) and Norris (in Florida), and Town Clerk Brooks (ill).

Supervisor O'Rorke welcomed all attending and turned to Councilwoman Finke to introduce guests.

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY SERVICE PROPOSALS

Joe Wolodkevich, Intelligent Technology Solutions, Inc., submitted proposal for service, website and onsite email, talked about proactive support versus reactive repair, monthly maintenance, Towns of Rensselaerville, Coxsackie and Catskill, familiar with municipal software from Office of Court Administration, Business Automation Services, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, to support the operation of the Town. He stated that the firewall router should be replaced, and recommends going to corporate antivirus at about 30% cost savings, a centralized backup strategy, standardized operating systems, and offsite disaster recovery program.

Joe Scalzo, Brick Row Computer Company, LLC, submitted proposal offering full range of services, same day or next day service, and recommending reviewing his website for full listing of services. Visiting the Town, he sees basic office machines onsite and his proposal assumes: licenses for each piece of software and for operating system; software owned by other companies is performing at satisfactory levels; and written records of cabling, wiring, and networking components.

Supervisor thanked both gentlemen for their interest expressed and time spent to come before the Board; a decision will not be made this night.

Rich VanEtten, NorDutch Technologies, LLC, of Coxsackie, has also submitted proposal and two other proposals are expected.

TOWN COURT/MEETINGROOM RENOVATIONS

Justice Joseph Cosenza submitted a grant for \$28,400 and received \$11,674; \$3,500 toward lighting in parking lot and computers, calculators; \$7,600 for room renovations to meetingroom. He asked for \$2,465 for window replacement that was not approved. He asked Town Board to find the funds to replace the windows; William Carney, BlueGrey Construction has submitted an estimate for the meetingroom: vinyl replacement windows (made in Catskill), 40" x 68.75", grid between glass, low e, 7 windows - \$1,675.23, miscellaneous trim- \$145.00; labor for install- \$595.00; debris/dump fee- \$50.00; total project cost- \$2,465.23. No change in the size of opening. Justice Cosenza said project must be completed within 180 days from receipt of grant monies. Greene County Legislator VanSlyke offered that the money expended may be saved within two years in energy costs. Justice Cosenza would like to start in June, with respect for Board and court schedules. Arlene McKeon, noting that he has been successful in seeking grants, asked about cameras. Two more ceiling lights are expected to be covered by grant. Supervisor asked if April 12 Regular Meeting would be time enough for decision; Justice Cosenza answered yes and has contacted Councilman Norris.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Supervisor distributed the Ethics audit report from the NYS Comptroller's Office to the Town Board, noting that response must be made within ninety days. Councilman Norris and Supervisor will put together suggestions in next 30-45 days and present a policy and procedure for all officials to be in accordance with policy. Councilman Norris proposes that the Greene County Local Courier be added to Daily Mail as a second official

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newspaper. Supervisor is reluctant since everything would need to go to the two papers with different deadlines; without official status, the Board can request the Clerk send them to that second newspaper.

County Legislator Jim VanSlyke reported: 12 interviews held for the opening of Building and Grounds Supervisor; the Greene County Courthouse will be complete in about 4-6 weeks; MidHudson Cablevision is applying for broadband affecting about 26 homes in New Baltimore; there will be extended research and core testing (about ground water) at the Maurer property at a cost of about \$22,000; the attorney is reviewing the contract, with results in two months. Supervisor heard there was a family friend or family member looking to clean it up; Greene County is moving ahead on the recovery although nothing will be removed. If serious, it will probably be taken off the assessment rolls; as temporary owner, the county pays those taxes now. Ellie Alfeld asked if there were something serious, is it true that the property could not have a residence; answer: yes. Returning to the subject of broadband, member of the public asked the location of affected homes. Legislator VanSlyke answered that it was a high hill area. He asked, regarding the demolition of a building, that the Town submit a memo indicating that the Town will contact the County of any situations; Supervisor answered that the Building Department is aware and will send the requested memo. Legislator VanSlyke stated there is a Greene County Workforce Homeownership Grant for first-time homebuyers; after 15 years residency, the loan is forgiven. A federal grant of \$8,000 is additional. He left the application with Supervisor. Also, although last month's sales tax revenue was 8% low, it is starting to pick up.

Town Clerk Janet Brooks was ill and did not report. Supervisor thanked the Town Clerk's office for assisting the Town Emergency Management Officer by updating the Recorded Emergency Information Line during the recent storm and, following the week-long period of no internet access at Town Hall, she thanked the Clerk for coming in on a Sunday to clean out the heavy email. Supervisor, wishing Town Clerk Brooks was present, acknowledged the completion of the Records Project and thanked Records Clerk Diane Jordan and Deputy Town Clerk Loux who were present. Records Clerk Jordan answered questions about the shredding she completed at Greene County Records Management; she will continue working with the Court records under a grant from the Office of Court Administration.

Highway Superintendent Denis Jordan reported February 22 to March 15: Painted dump bodies on 3 dump trucks; Patched holes with winter mix and crusher run; Cleaned ditch on Scheller Park Road; Tues, Feb 23 snow started, plowed and sanded all roads; Tues, Feb 23 worked all night plowing and sanding; Wed, Feb 24 plowed and sanded all day until 3:30 pm; Pushed back snow banks from first storm to make room for second; Checked over all trucks between storms; Fri, Feb 26 called all in at 3am for snow, worked until 10:30 pm; Sat, Feb 27 called all in at 6am for more snow worked until 2:30 pm; Sunday Feb. 28 called all in at 8am plowed and sanded until 12 noon; Replaced plow blade on the 2 85 Oshkosh trucks; Pushed snow back where needed with backhoe; Picked up plow blades and shoes from Northern Supply; Cut limbs along roads and trees damaged by heavy snow; Washed plow trucks; Mixed up more sand and salt and put in shed; Repaired overhead door on fuel shed; Someone is going around Town painting over signs with blue paint; we are cleaning them as it happens but some will need to be replaced; Checked culverts and drains in preparation for possible heavy rains; Had NYS inspection done on 2002 Ford pickup; Cleaned up in and around shop. Supervisor acknowledged that some of the Highway employees were without power themselves even as they were plowing the roads.

Town of New Baltimore and Town of Coeymans have had a verbal intermunicipal agreement with regard to road repair, patching, paving with no monetary exchange, and it has been beneficial to both Towns. In talking to supervisor and attorney, this will be revised into a written agreement and will be on calendar for the April 12 meeting; plowing will be stated in the event of emergency.

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Town Wide Roadside Clean-up pickups will begin the first Monday in May for two Mondays. Orange bags are available for sign-out at the Town Clerk's office or Recycling Center.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Chief Operator Jim Polverelli reported having processed 801,752 gallons in the month of February, completed routine preventative maintenance, Feb 26-28 high flow due to rain/snow event, equalization tank has been filled and is operating as designed. Also, an annual inspection by NYSDEC: we are operating under satisfactory conditions for SPDES permit, satisfactory rating on all topics (that is the highest rating). Two recommendations: alarm system (appeared on last year's from last year, single clarifier meets standards but suggests backup, (ours is being used for sludge storage) because in the event the clarifier in use needs to be pulled for maintenance or repair, the eq tank can provide some overflow capacity for not for that length of time. Councilman Byas and Supervisor are meeting with Delaware Engineering to look at clarifier and aerators that need to be upgraded. The alarm system at Town Hall and Highway Garage are different companies; the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Pump Station need attention with concerns toward NYSDEC recommendation and malfunction of equipment and pollution danger. The Town of New Baltimore pays for a phone line alarm to Village of Coxsackie for Kalkberg Commerce Park. This may be the time to look at upgrades for the current system. Justice Cosenza, bringing security experience from the state, offers to help put together an RFP.

Historian Clesson Bush reported, March 17, 2010:

I thought it might be useful given all the new members on the Board to outline the functions of a local Historian. New York State's Arts and Cultural Affairs Law creates a network of local government historians under the overall authority of the State Historian who is an employee of the Office for Cultural Education at the New York State Education Department. There are 1,640 jurisdictions throughout the State that are enabled by law to appoint historians. I believe that New York is the only state with such a system.

The work of the local Historian falls into a handful of broad categories. Where the Historian places emphasis will largely be a matter of personal interest and inclination but obviously also must reflect the priorities and interests of the local government.

The primary responsibility is interpretation of the past, researching and writing on aspects of the history of one's jurisdiction. I have written a number of articles for the Greene County Historical Society's quarterly journal, newspapers, the Town newsletter, and a handful of other publications. I frequently am at the State Library, State Archives, the Vedder Research Library, and the County Clerk's office documenting various aspects of New Baltimore's history. I also have traveled to do research on particular topics, perhaps most often to the National Archives in Washington, DC, but also to places like Petersburg, Virginia where a number of our local soldiers were wounded or killed during the Civil War. I should note that, with almost no exceptions, there is no cost to the Town for any of my work beyond my salary and my annual dues to the Association for Public Historians of New York State (currently \$30).

I often get phone calls, e-mails, letters, or am lassoed at the post office, on the street, or some other site to answer questions on past events, the history of a building, or the genealogy of a person's family. Local government historians are not supposed to be doing genealogies but there is an inevitable need to refer people to appropriate sources. A related task may be to present public presentations on the Town's history, which I have done on numerous occasions in the past.

Another category of activity is historic preservation. This embraces not only preservation of the built environment but also of the manuscripts and records that document a community's past, and the objects and artifacts that constitute a community's material culture. The Historian should be an advocate for historic preservation and a resource to the local government on questions relating to history and preservation, answering questions about the historic significance of people and places. In addition, the Historian should be able to recommend appropriate repositories for historical materials, such as local government archives, local public libraries, or historical agency collections. I am involved closely with the Greene County Historical Society, the Ravena-

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Coeymans Historical Society, the State Library and Archives, and any other applicable organizations that may come into play. I personally do not believe, however, that the Historian has a general right to interfere with the rights of people to handle their property as they see fit, within the scope of applicable laws and regulations.

Finally, there is an aspect of promotion, ensuring that people understand the importance of local history and how it can have an important positive effect on tourism, choices of living places, local and regional economies, and general feelings about a community.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement John Cashin summarized activities for the month of February, 2010 as follows: Building Inspections: 11; Building Permits Renewed: 2; Certificates of Compliance Issued: 1; Certificates of Occupancy Issued: 2; Court Appearances: 1; Junk Vehicle Complaints: 2; New Building Permit Applications Received: 2; Code Violation Investigations: 3; Zoning Violation Investigations: 1; Application Fees for Feb 2010: \$1,231.66; Total Fees for Year to Date: \$1,868.46. Supervisor said Coxsackie Town Supervisor Alex Betke agrees to an intermunicipal agreement with the Building Department, and an agreement has been drawn. Cornell Hook and Ladder's Alan VanWormer, Town Emergency Management Officer, expressed concern for times when the Building Inspector is out of town or ill; the fire department calls the building inspector following a home fire before they will allow the resident to return to the home. Ellie Alfeld asked would this change his duties at all; answer no, only provide for another phone call with no monetary exchange, as each Town is responsible for its own Workers' Compensation and liability insurance. Local fire departments will appreciate the back-up.

Assessment Gordon Bennett reports: prioritizing the field review, has had difficulty getting all the collection process done for the year, the enhanced STAR program had 15 additional homes that qualified, senior age had 3 new homes that qualified and 3 that did not file renewal; 3 disabled and 2 that did not file renewal; 2 more qualified agricultural exemptions and 1 exemption that did not due to lack of renewal; 2010 Tentative Roll was announced in paper and Assessor will be available on March 9 and 16 from 9am to 1pm to answer any questions. Grievance Day is scheduled for May 25, 2010. Supervisor said she attended training last week by Office of Real Property Services explaining tax apportionment and equalization rates and reassessment is done.

Board of Assessment Review still requires a member; Supervisor asked and was told Councilman Meredith has the list of names. The training is scheduled for May 6, 2010, from 7-10 pm. New and reappointed members are required to attend; Board members are suggested to attend.

Agriculture Committee Councilman Byas read: the Ag Committee continues to work on arranging and promoting the series of talks that are being offered this winter and spring. Upcoming in March is the New Baltimore Agricultural Heritage talk "Farm Life- A Woman's Perspective" on Sun, March 21, at 2pm at Town Hall. Speakers include Alma Flegel, Lillian Kellam and Pauline VanEtten, and attendees are encouraged to share their memories. The last talk of the series will take place on April 18 at 2 pm; Ted Hilscher will discuss estate issues and the family farm. The Ag Committee will have a presence at AgFest again this year. The first New Baltimore Farmers' Market of the season will take place at AgFest. The Ag Committee has agreed to begin considering the potential for establishing a hay-growers' cooperative. The first step of this process will be to meet with Mick Bessire of Cornell Cooperative Extension to gain his perspective, hopefully in next few months. Ag Committee will meet in April and May before the summer break; meetings will be held on first Thurs of month, 7pm, but at the home of Pete and Maggi Zacek, located at 938 River Road, rather than the Town Hall. As always, interested individuals are invited and encouraged to attend the meetings.

Planning Board Chair Lee Davis reports the Planning Board met on February 11; the following business transacted: received updates from Building Inspector John Cashin on

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the proposed signs for Holiday Inn Express; J.B. Car Services, Inc. Special Use Permit; Dr. Marvin Gertzberg's proposed sign; and a light issue at entrance to Boat 'n RV Warehouse. A preliminary discussion with two different Town residents was held regarding the minor subdivision of their property. Due to the November Planning Board Meeting night falling on Veterans' Day, the November meeting will be held on November 18.

Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Meave Tooher reported the Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet on March 3, since there were no applications to come before the Board.

Regarding the Greene County Planning Board, Councilman Byas spoke to Jeff Flack regarding serving another year; Planning Committee will recommend reappointment of Mr. Flack at the April 12 Regular Town Board Meeting.

Building and Grounds/Recycling Spencer Sebert reported 52 hours of work, including 4.5 hours of snowshoveling. Recycling Center Operator Spencer Sebert reported receipt of 23 60 gallon bags of plastic, 9 55 gallon drums of cans; 66 bundles of magazines; 74 bags of newspapers; 9 bags of shredded paper; 40 boxes & bundles of cardboard, for total revenue of \$0.

Supervisor has contacted the Town of Bethlehem, received a questionnaire that has been mostly completed by Town Clerk Brooks, and Councilman Byas will complete. Councilman Byas will follow-up to Town of Bethlehem re Solid Waste Survey and Taft Furniture/Central Ave, Albany, is the location of Earth Day/Electronics Recycling event. Supervisor thanked Spencer Sebert for coming to Town Hall to open for the Ag Committee.

Animal Control Joe Tanner had no report. Greene County Public Health will offer a free rabies clinic for cats, dogs, and ferrets at the Medway-Grapeville Firehouse, CR 51, Town of New Baltimore, on Wednesday, March 24, 2010 from 6pm to 8pm. There is no charge for the clinic, although donations will be accepted. The vaccination is available for all Greene County residents' cats, dogs and ferrets; please call ahead for ferrets. Please phone Greene County Public Health at 719-3600 with any questions. The Town Clerk's office will be represented for the purpose of licensing dogs. Supervisor asked Councilman Byas if he received the renewal Mohawk and Hudson Humane Society contract for the year 2010; he did and has not gone over it.

Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement Chair Councilman Norris reported the February 16 Greene County EMS meeting was cancelled due to snow. The next meeting will be March 16 at 7pm and he has asked Councilwoman Finke to attend in his place. Effective February 22, 2010, New York State has enacted Amanda's Law, requiring all residences to be equipped with carbon monoxide detectors.

"RR313.4 Carbon monoxide alarms. This section covers the installation, performance and maintenance of carbon monoxide alarms and their components in new and existing buildings. The requirements of this section shall apply to all new and all existing buildings, without regard to the date of construction of the building and without regard to whether such building shall or shall not have been offered for sale. Exception: Compliance with this section is not required where no carbon monoxide source is located within or attached to the structure. However, compliance with this section is required if any carbon monoxide source is subsequently located within or attached to the structure."

Emergency Management Officer Alan VanWormer: most of the month of February was very quiet, answered some residents regarding the proper installation of E911 signs, noticed that residents are not installing their signs so they are very visible traveling from either direction on their street, spoke with Medway Grapeville fire commissioner regarding ice fishing on Coxsackie Reservoir and procedures that would be taken should someone fall through the ice; advised that the two fire districts in our Town have a great working relationship and through mutual aid are more than capable to supply trained manpower and equipment to respond to such an incident. Spoke with Mike Ferrari from SEMA regarding NIMS workshop Greene County is sponsoring on April 12, this workshop falls on a Regular Board meeting night. He is working with Greene County Emergency Services Director John Farrell to schedule this workshop in New Baltimore at

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a later date. This workshop is designed to give newly elected officials basic knowledge of NIMS and the incident command system. Heavy snow the week of Feb 22 caused several power outages throughout the Town, kept in contact with both fire departments as to where the power was out and if there were any residents who had a medical priority. Kept in contact with Central Hudson customer service and Supervisor Joe Hetzler for restoration confirmations; most residents were back on Thurs evening and the rest on Fri. Thank you to both fire departments for providing generator power to those with medical conditions until electricity could be restored. The Recorded Emergency Information Line was again put into use; however, it was discovered that many residents still were not aware of it, so we should do some more advertising of it. I will ask Fire Departments to put it on their signs also. Thanks so much to the Town Clerk Janet Brooks for updating the information as I sent it to her. The Emergency Management Committee will need to review the Emergency Management Plan in the spring to see if we need to make any additions, and critique how it has worked thus far. Items to add to the plan are the municipal mutual aid plans with our neighboring Towns willing to share services and equipment during disaster situations. Installed 2 911 signs for Town residents. Put together a preliminary damage assessment and sent to Greene County Emergency Services for snow events; our estimate was \$50,000.00 for overtime, equipment hours, sand and salt usage. The state must try to come up with a minimum of 24 million dollars in damages, and Greene County would need at least \$150,000 which I believe is possible but I am very doubtful of the 24 million state wide. If these numbers are not met there will be no FEMA funding. I will be attending a class on responding to CSX incidents on Tuesday evening at 6pm at the Athens Fire Station I am hoping to be able to get some after hours emergency contact numbers for CSX to include in our resource list for the ERP.

Supervisor added that she did call in to Central Hudson for updates from supervisors and mayors; the lack of generators was frequently reported (reportedly a cost of \$2,700-3,400).

Parks-AgFest Committee Chair Councilman Byas said he wanted to put up a request for bid for a mower, and maybe hire it (Town parks) done. Supervisor asked if he was going to investigate. Councilman Byas said he wanted to get it into the paper; Supervisor said standard policy would be to put it in Daily Mail and News Herald. Councilman Byas asked to pull state bids off the computer. Supervisor asked if he would have that ready for April Regular Meeting; answer, yes. Supervisor asked what was decided for the portajohns. Councilman Byas said Greene County Septic, but he did notice that Blue Diamond had sent a proposal, knew that Greene County Septic had done a good job, but would need to look at the numbers and see how they compare. Councilman Byas asked if a handicapped portajohn was needed anymore. Supervisor said she understood that if needed, the Town must provide. Councilman Byas said the AgFest had a handicapped unit. Member of the public offered that a family had requested last year but there wasn't time to order a unit, also that Blue Diamond had previously provided them to the Town. Dick Brooks said in Catskill they found it cheaper to purchase. Supervisor asked about the status of the Summer Recreation Director; Councilman Byas said it needed to be advertised, he had an ad ready and did the Board want it to go in this week? Supervisor put summer tennis and golf information in Councilman Byas' mail as the registration deadlines are approaching. Supervisor said the Town Clerk had received a request for a job description from an applicant; Councilman Byas said he knew of no handbook since the same person had done it for so many years.

AgFest Committee had no report.

Promotion and Economic Development / Grants Councilwoman Finke had no report.

Newsletter/Web Site and Technology Supervisor commented on a great issue.

Personnel had no report.

Insurance had no report. Supervisor commented that the Workers' Compensation bill had arrived from Greene County; it is higher (\$5,046) than budgeted in the fall (\$4,200). Supervisor is awaiting additional information as no claims have been filed in 3 years and the payroll has been static. Diane Louis gave comments regarding the Town Board's considerations of property and liability insurance. Supervisor did add to the specifications for quotes park pavilions and gazebos and the Highway pole barn, sheds, red barn have been increased. Marshall and Sterling's Nolan Pazin will attend April 12 meeting; Town Board members have the Trident quote for review. Supervisor asked if the Board would discuss flood insurance; Councilman Byas stated it would be discussed in April. Member of the public asked why the Town Board would not choose coverage

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from an agent who resides in the Town who offered insurance coverage saving the Town \$10,000, and then agree to use same company (Trident) but under the same agency the Town previously used. Councilwoman Finke was concerned because Grapeville does not handle municipalities and Marshall and Sterling does. Member of public stated Trident covers more about 400 municipalities. Councilwoman Finke stated that Grapeville Agency did not and she was more interested in an agency that had done that longer and had that specialty. Member of the public understood the community's thought and feeling was to do business in the community. Councilman Byas didn't know whether it was \$10,000 but felt it was better to ask the questions when Nolan Pazin attends in April, adding that his recommendation was to accept Prime's quote. Ellie Alfeld stated that Grapeville Agency's Lisa Benway prepared Trident's quote saving the Town of New Baltimore over \$6,000, stepped outside to call Marshall and Sterling, and the Board accepted Marshall and Sterling as the Trident carrier if Marshall and Sterling agreed to take Ms. Benway's figures, asked how long [it was] that the Town could have been saving \$6,000. Councilman Byas said last year it was \$31,000 and he wasn't asked; Ellie Alfeld stated that the Town Board hadn't asked in previous years and wasn't that the purpose of serving on the Town Board. Councilman Byas said the difference was \$3,000; when Nolan Pazin attends April meeting the public could ask questions.

Supervisor interjected that both Marshall and Sterling and Grapeville Agency were invited to come before the Board, a representative gave Marshall and Sterling presentation; both agencies knew that a decision would be made and Supervisor did not ask or deny anyone the opportunity to come. Member of the public asked whether a commission would be gotten by Lisa Benway for preparing the quote; answer, no, it would go to Marshall and Sterling. Dick Brooks offered that a good agent finds the better deal with a different company; if Marshall and Sterling had been on task they would have called to recommend Trident. Councilman Byas asked to move on.

Bicentennial Committee met on Mar 21; there were 2 individuals in attendance. There is \$500 in their account; former chair Joyce Schoenig recommends t-shirts and caps be purchased with Bicentennial logo and be available for sale at events such as AgFest and that a reception be held in March 2010. The group began large and enthusiastically, the manpower has diminished. Former chair has begun a new job and is happy to turn over the responsibility to an interested individual.

Farmer's Market Chair Chris Kemnah reported from the audience there was an individual who expressed an interest in fixing the ball fields, no changes other than a move to District 2/Cecil C Hallock Park.

For Seniors, Supervisor reported wanting to get the word out to have a meeting at Cornell Hook and Ladder, Gill Road, or Medway-Grapeville, CR 51, firehouse's hall to determine level of interest, is there interest in meeting once a month, or use of the offered bus from the county. Ellie Alfeld has not received phone calls and just received her newsletter the previous Friday. Councilman Finke has not received her copy. Councilman Byas felt it had to do with the post office only handling a certain number at a time. Ellie Alfeld asked to hear the needs and interests in the two areas/fire districts. Dick Brooks said 50-60 people have been served at each Food and Fun community luncheon, the menu for April may be cider ham, and each event is planned at least a month in advance. Councilwoman Finke will include luncheons in the newsletter if they are planned 2-3 months in advance.

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning/Comprehensive Plan Committee

Supervisor said a list of 10 names was suggested for the Planning Committee by letter; a letter from Tim Walsh was read, and is on file, that the Citizens' Alliance names were intended for the Town Board's information only and, following their review process, they would proceed under Article 15 Section 112-98 and 99.

Supervisor has received interest in serving on the zoning review committee from Janet Angelis, Bob Turan, Kingsley Greene and Chris Kemnah; she urged the participation of 1-2 Planning Board members, 1-2 Zoning Board of Appeals members and the zoning officer. Councilman Byas had only heard from Bob Turan; Supervisor said the others had come by email and emails would be printed and put in his mail. Supervisor offered that a

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committee structure should be put together. Planning Board Chair Lee Davis encouraged the Board that it is healthier for the Town to do this in an open manner, not behind closed doors, and that any suggestions come out of an open process, and not a process done at locations and times that are not published, and further to get behind the Supervisor to do this as a Town in an open fashion. [unable to hear] Member of the public recommended the resources used by Citizens' Planning and Advisory Group: the Town assessor, Greene County Planning and Economic Development, Greene County IDA, Greene County Soil and Water, all of whom had heavy input. Member of the public asked for the names of Citizens' Alliance members referred to in the letter read earlier, and Supervisor recommended the individual read the article and section to which reference was made.

NEW BUSINESS

Mutual Aid Agreement for Policing of Cocksackie Reservoir

Supervisor received correspondence from Village of Cocksackie Mayor Mark Evans regarding policing the Reservoir. Also, Greene County Sheriff Seeley has reached out to each Town Board member regarding the patrolling of the reservoir. Supervisor felt this was a good idea and certainly within the rights of Cocksackie to protect its public water supply; at no cost to Town of New Baltimore, any arrests or tickets would come into the Town Court of Town of New Baltimore for adjudication. Supervisor said the Chief of Police and Greene County Sheriff have met. Member of the public asked if the Village of Cocksackie police would be the only policing or would that be an additional presence. Supervisor said the Village of Cocksackie police have patrolled and will continue regardless of the intermunicipal agreement; however, if the Town does not give them the agreement, they will have to call the Greene County Sheriff or the NYS Police as they are not allowed to detain or arrest an individual. Supervisor saw no reason why the deputy stationed out of New Baltimore would not continue to patrol; the Village of Cocksackie is not a 24 hour, 7 day a week manned police department. Lee Davis requested a copy of the agreement sent to the Medway-Grapeville Fire Commissioners who have concerns about issues. Supervisor will prepare a resolution for the April 12 Regular Town Board meeting. Supervisor will hear from them.

Request for Proposals for Bookkeeper

Supervisor stated that at the January 1, 2010 Organization Meeting in, a bookkeeper had only been appointed through June. If Request for Proposals were to be done, a committee should be put together to accomplish that. Councilman Byas said as far as he knew there was still interest in doing that. Supervisor asked if Councilman Byas would take charge of that; Councilman Byas asked to wait until Councilman Norris returns.

Rayena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School Budget

Ellie Alfeld said she had attended the Rayena-Coeymans-Selkirk School Board Meeting. With 75-100 in attendance, better than half were employees (teachers, teachers' aides, bus drivers), 10-15 % were parents of children with special needs. As a New Baltimore resident, she wanted to know who will experience the 4-5% increase in taxes as a result of the school budget and who may see a larger increase. As the Town Board is holding the lid on Town taxes, she wanted to pass along this news. After the meeting, she received a call from a school board member who didn't know why the Town had not had a representative come to present the budget; Supervisor stated she had invited the school district and that the representative was working on a convenient time.

With no more from the Town Board or the public, **Councilman Byas moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Finke.**

Motion Carried Ayes- 3 Byas, Finke, O'Rorke
 Nays- 0

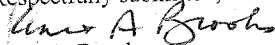
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Absent- 2 Meredith, Norris

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Janet A. Brooks
Town Clerk