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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
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Opening of Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Supervisor Susan O'Rorke and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Councilwoman Finke, Councilmen Byas, Meredith and Norris, Highway Superintendent Jordan, Town Clerk Brooks, and 26 members of the public who signed the attendance sheets.

Supervisor O'Rorke thanked everyone for coming. The Board held a Special Meeting at 6:00pm this night for the purpose of a budget workshop.

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Norris moved and Councilman Meredith seconded the approval of Minutes of May 24, 2010 Work Meeting submitted by the Town Clerk.

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	BYAS-AYE	FINKE-AYE	MEREDITH-AYE
	NORRIS-AYE	O'RORKE-AYE	

Adopted

Public Comment Period

Rich Guthrie asked if there will be minutes of the Special Meeting; yes, minutes will be posted to website and available to the public.

Debra DeSalvio, Grace Hornyak's daughter, asked if there was a noise ordinance, added that there is a 4wheeler track, is not able to enjoy her deck, and is caretaker of the property.

Ted Flegel stated his boundaries have been destroyed. Councilwoman Finke asked where this was located. Debra said they had offered to repair, CR51, Stacey Miller property is adjacent, and asked if there was a time period specified for the noise ordinance. Ted Flegel said the field is dust and dirt with jumps.

Code Enforcement Officer John Cashin said he has been asked about this, the Town does not have a noise ordinance, and the recreational use is on private property of a single-family home. He continued that if admission was charged, including rallies, then zoning would come into play; Debra answered that 8-9 are out and one day was 17.

Ted Flegel asked for respect, immediate family is fine, but don't import a lot of people. Debra had asked for Ted's help with her car, he arrived, and they could not hear each other and smelled gasoline. Ted referenced land value.

Joe Sacchetti, Lydon Lane, stated that respect is what the residents are not finding; right now there is a dustbowl coming over CR51 from machines. He pulled out of a contract to buy the Ackermann property; it is difficult to sell a piece of property with a motocross track and no noise ordinance. He feels there is sufficient land behind the home, but the motocross is in front; there are tire tracks thru his land, and Bruce Ackermann's. Joe added that the sheriff or state police would need to sit and park; he feels the adults must police the children, and the reason why many have moved to this community, if police are called the child's future is affected. Ted Flegel feels it is up to the police to find out who it is.

Ed Christen said it is h ___, has given the Town videos and photos of dust, sees 4-5 dirt bikes, has called police, and is seeking legal and municipal advice.

Member of the public asked what the Board and the townspeople can do to stop it and prevent it from happening again, and how to start a noise ordinance.

Supervisor said this item is not on agenda, attorney for the Town is not present, there is a pretty lengthy agenda, and code enforcement has addressed the issue. She continued that noise ordinances are a double-edged sword in an agricultural area as machines create noise.

Ted Flegel felt this is harassment; the person(s) in this issue is(are) not making a living. Supervisor said under current zoning and current regulations, the Board is very limited; this is not an agenda item. Supervisor said each speaker may have another minute.

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Debra DeSalvio asked about proximity from houses, adding that the track is closer to the neighbor than to the owner's home. Supervisor clarified there is nothing in the zoning with that regard and Town Code is available on the town's website and the zoning officer has office hours.

Ed Christen felt the owner can be legally stopped; no one can take your enjoyment of your property and an injunction is being sought.

Councilwoman Finke asked how long the activity has been going on; answer: since March, with snowmobiles.

Ted Flegel said snowmobiles run over the neighbors' property in winter.

Councilman Norris felt this was a quality of life issue, from what he's researched it is a long process to go the zoning route with public hearings and process which are not immediate; it might be better to pursue a civil matter, as air and sound pollution issues.

Councilwoman Finke asked if anyone spoke to the homeowner.

On advice of the Town's attorney, Supervisor did reach out to the homeowner; that individual is not present and has her own valid concerns, as there are two sides to every story. Supervisor expressed empathy for the situations stated and the stress attached. The Town Board must react to certain rules and regulations in place; they're not going to change them tomorrow. Supervisor thanked all for coming and bringing concerns to the Town Board to discuss.

Correspondence

From Kendall Rebusmen, a thank you for the Town's donation of \$285 toward his Eagle Scout project at District 2/Cecil C Hallock Park, and notice that the 208-hour project is complete. He expressed concern about the maintenance; Supervisor is certain that Parks Committee will insure its maintenance.

From Greene County Legislature, copy of the resolution being sent to NYS Department of Environmental Conservation; Greene County Legislature does not support requirements in the proposed NYSDEC regulations. New York State has required that existing outdoor boilers be taken out of service, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation solicited comments in April 2010.

From Greene County Legislature Chairman Wayne Speenburgh, invitation to all Board members to meet on July 14, 2010, to review the status of 2010 Greene County Budget and look ahead to 2011; Supervisor will attend.

Old Business

- Approval of Court Grant

Councilman Byas believed that all Board members had copy of bid from Scott Purdy \$9500, whom he suggests to the Board. Supervisor asked to clarify, Councilman Byas said the sheetrock will go over the paneling, no insulation, 6inch board wainscoting, making electrical changes needed, (Safe Home Alarm will perform changes at no charge), no window changes, window sills will be built out and new ropes installed (if rope is broken, the weight should be there). Councilman Byas thought justice grant was \$7300, additional cost will be met by money earmarked for lighting the parking lot; justice has made a phone call to transfer the \$3500 earmarked for lighting to the interior work. Supervisor asked if Central Hudson's rental was costing \$6/pole, \$10/light or \$16/month/pole times two poles; Councilman Byas did not have a printout but two poles, one re-sited from current position, and one new, on either side of parking lot where staked. Councilman Norris asked at last meeting for an itemized invoice and wished it had been available sooner, asked what 'remove all wall, door and window' meant. Councilman Byas answered *the trim* in order to get to the ropes. Councilman Norris asked wood windows painted on interior only; Councilman Byas answered inside window will be painted both sides, not the white aluminum windows, adding that Justice Cosenza thought to insulate from the outside at a later date.

Ellie Alfeld asked if this was the lower bid; Supervisor clarified there was no bid process. Ellie understood that 2 other individuals had submitted, asked if this was the lowest. Councilman Byas said Justice Cosenza had gotten a lower bid, but that wasn't going to be done to the original, adding the photo was original and they asked him to go to original, and that the

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contractor has gone out of business, and, of the two prices he received, this is the lowest price. Councilman Norris asked what stain color; Councilman Byas said it was not decided yet and he was going to pick out a dark color. Councilman Norris asked if that was the original color of the room; Councilman Byas answered that with all the sheetrock the room will be much brighter compared to the current room. Rich Guthrie asked, if the board moves ahead, will it meet the grant deadline; Councilman Byas asked deadline, started by September, but Councilman Byas hasn't seen the paperwork.

Ellie Alfeld asked if a performance bond were necessary; Supervisor said an insurance certificate with additional insured status will be required. Councilman Byas asked if it had to be over \$10,000 to go to sealed bid; answer, yes, sealed bid.

Lee Davis asked will Central Hudson install on top of their new pole in the parking lot? Councilman Byas said there are stakes on each side of lot, lights will be set to have no light trespass on other property. Lee Davis said there is no requirement of the Planning Board for lighting; they ask businesses to comply with "dark sky", and he is glad that they will observe the design limitations that the Planning Board asks of the new businesses. Councilman Byas said going to old streetlamps would be a different price, from wood to architectural is different price, these are same poles as we have now.

Rich Guthrie observed that their new poles have a preservative with an unpleasant odor, invited Town Board to walk through hamlet.

Diane Louis asked for clarification, the current proposal is \$2000 more than original, but windows will still need to be covered with plastic? Councilman Byas said there will be no insulation, there are storm windows now, and with sheetrocking and wainscoting they'll be tighter. Ted asked how much later the insulating would be done; Councilman Byas said when this project is done. Supervisor commented there is money to begin discussion about finishing downstairs and supplies are already purchased.

**RESOLUTION
JULY 12, 2010**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENOVATIONS TO TOWN HALL
PROPOSED BY TOWN JUSTICES TO BE FUNDED BY
GRANTS RECEIVED FOR THE TOWN JUSTICE COURT**

WHEREAS, the Town of New Baltimore Justice Court has received grant monies from the New York State Office of Court Administration, a portion of which are proposed to be used to fund renovations to improve the operation and efficiency of the Town Justice Court, and

WHEREAS, the Town Justices have proposed specific renovations to the Town Board which involve work to be done in the Town Hall offices and meeting room, and

WHEREAS, the renovations being proposed are to be entirely funded from grant monies received by the Town Justice Court in March 2010.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following renovations and purchases proposed by the Town Justices to be made to the Town Hall offices and meeting room, to be funded entirely from grant monies received in March, 2010 by the Town Justice Court from the New York State Office of Court Administration, are hereby approved:

- 1) To hire Scott Purdy to perform all labor and provide all supplies, per his quotation of July 12, 2010,
- 2) To install additional lighting in Meeting Room
- 3) Purchase of mobile cart for computer equipment in court room
- 4) Purchase of commercial printing calculator with extra ribbon

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Councilman Byas will supervise all work in the meeting room and will provide all necessary paper work upon completion of the project to the justices in a timely manner to meet their grant requirements.

Councilman Meredith moved, seconded by Councilman Byas. Councilman Byas asked about installing additional lighting, as Scott Purdy won't be doing it. Supervisor asked who would as that was on the prior work specified by the justices to be done by their contractor; Councilman Byas said he didn't know about #2-4. Supervisor said Councilman Byas and the justices would work that out. Councilman Byas said this room was used only 4hours/month by the Town Board, Planning Board, and doesn't believe there is much heat or air conditioning loss. Member of the public asked why plastic was on the windows; Councilman Byas didn't know, adding that it was here when he came. Member of the public asked was it to keep the drafts out and why not put in new windows; Councilman Byas responded that they want to keep the old and for \$1200 a panel could be put on, not Plexiglas. Member of the public said his company handles architectural new windows that look old for \$140. Councilman Byas said we'll stop now, having debated since March. Member of the public suggested it be done at same time to avoid having it ripped open again. Councilman Norris asked if windows must be kept to put the building on the historic register; Supervisor asked in March, aesthetics, energy efficiency or other, the Board chose this path, without a lot of feedback from the Board members, would like to take. Supervisor felt the room could be done historically accurate, aesthetically pleasing, and energy efficiency with the replacement windows under the justices original plan and allowing for new windows, also spoke to Councilman Byas about getting blown in insulation done from the outside. Having worked since March and taken public comment, the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	BYAS-AYE	FINKE-AYE	MEREDITH-AYE
	NORRIS-AYE	O'RORKE-AYE	

Adopted

Ellie Alfeld commented that when Councilman Byas listed the uses of the room there was no mention of Town Court, Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Assessment Review, and Town Court, who are picking up the bill; the office addition took it out of consideration for the historic register.

- Town Wide Yard Sale

Councilwoman Finke commented that as the Town-Wide Yard Sale Day has not always done by Board member, she welcomes help. Town-Wide Yard Sales will be held September 18, 2010, keeping with the previous custom of the third Saturday in September.

New Business

- Resolution to Pay Claims

**RESOLUTION
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RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review and,

WHEREAS, the Town Board has audited claims G2010/0701-53, H2010/0701-13, and S2010/0701-9 for a total amount of \$214,411.79, it is

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims totaling \$214,411.79.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk has prepared an abstract and holds it for public review until July 23, 2010.

Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Councilman Meredith. No discussion. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	BYAS-AYE	FINKE-AYE	MEREDITH-AYE
	NORRIS-AYE	O'RORKE-AYE	

Adopted

- Zoning Board of Appeals Semi-Annual Report

Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Meave Tooher gave the Semi-Annual Report: Pursuant to Town Board December 8, 2008, resolution, we submit following resolution passed at June 2, 2010, Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting.

It was moved by Covey and seconded by Carlson that since no matters have come before the Zoning Board of Appeals which have been impacted by any of the Zoning changes, the Board has nothing to report to the Town Board at this time.

AYES: Tooher, Covey, Carlson, Van Etten

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Corrado

The Zoning Board of Appeals asks for Town Code training by Attorney Wukitsch; Supervisor had consulted Attorney Wukitsch and felt approximately 2 hours for the training, noting that there are fewer free offerings this year for the Planning and Zoning Boards to meet their statutory annual four-hour training requirement. Councilman Byas asked what was done in previous years; Chair Tooher said that more was offered at Columbia-Greene Community College, and there are new members of the Board, and Supervisor felt that there may be Town Board members who seek training, spoke to Attorney Wukitsch about reading requirements and a quiz; Chair Tooher asked about training online, where participant is asked to certify their online participation.

- Planning Board Semi-Annual Report

Planning Board Chair Lee Davis added that said Greene and Columbia counties have offered the free training, generally one day and word has been gotten by this date in the year, however, if not convenient, then member is out of luck.

TO: Town Board

FROM: Lee Davis, Chair

RE: Semi-Annual Report

DATE: July, 2010

Pursuant to Town Board resolution passed in December, 2008, the Planning Board submits the following report covering the first six months of 2010:

Since the last semi-annual report, it has come to the attention of the Board that there is an inconsistency within the current Sign Ordinance as it applies to the 9W and the Thruway in that the current Ordinance regarding the size of signs fails to address the size necessary to meet with Thruway Authority approval. We recommend that the Town amend the Sign Ordinance to address the issue of the Thruway corridor exclusively.

It was moved by Davis and seconded by Murray that the above semi-annual report be directed to the Town Board.

AYES: Davis, Kuder, Hoglund, Murray, Caputo, Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Turner

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Mr. Davis suggested it would be beneficial for the Town to explore this, before any more businesses come, with a couple of members of each Planning and Town Boards and bring in someone from the NYS Thruway Authority. Holiday Inn's approval pre-dated the amendments to the Town Code; future applicants would not have the same.

Supervisor understands that there isn't a clear cut indication of their requirements of the NYS Thruway, Mr. Davis spoke with NYS Thruway representative, might not have exact minimum and maximum requirements and has indicated the NYS Thruway would support the town. Councilman Norris asked about location of dental practice parking lot; Mr. Davis said side or rear for parking. Dentist was a beneficiary of the new zoning; old zoning had one size fits all; new zoning is defined by square footage and he met the specifications of his business, did not have to go to the expense of extra meeting and public hearing. Mr. Davis is comfortable with the amendments to that site plan- percentage of how much square footage is being expanded from original, as compared to lot size.

Rich Guthrie asked if the Planning Board is invited to participate in proposed Water Park. Supervisor answered that the project will probably be a Planned Development District, it will come to Town Board first, the Town is in process of setting up a meeting with IDA with two members each from Planning Board and Town Board with initial conversation probably in August; this will be a very long process with the Town Board involved from the front end. Supervisor asked for Mr. Davis' comments to be addressed by liaison for Planning Board. Holiday Inn Express is very close to opening, with 7-8 items outstanding.

- Resolution to allow Code Enforcement Officer to Perform Data Collection Resulting from Building Permits

Supervisor clarified that in accordance with Ethics Policy, her relationship to the Town's Code Enforcement Officer, and the absence of impact on that Officer's salary, if any Board member feels she should abstain from discussion, she would be willing to do so; silence is accepted as no objection.

Code Enforcement Officer is onsite for building inspection for the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, resulting in no duplicate effort.

**RESOLUTION
JULY 12, 2010**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES FROM THE
BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO THE ASSESSOR'S DATA COLLECTION**

WHEREAS, the Town Code Enforcement Officer physically inspects all buildings before issuing a Certificate of Occupancy resulting from all building permits, and

WHEREAS, the Town Assessor must obtain updated data collection resulting from all Certificates of Occupancy for the purpose of updating the Town tax roll, and

WHEREAS, this requires the Data Collector to make a physical inspection to the same location as the Code Enforcement Officer creating a redundancy in activities, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board, Town Assessor and Town Code Enforcement, in an joint effort to increase efficiency of resources, appoint the Code Enforcement Officer to obtain data collection resulting from any building permits, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Supervisor shall have the authority to appropriate a portion of time and expenses for data collection from the Building Department's Budget to the Assessor's Budget on a quarterly basis.

Councilman Meredith moved, seconded by Councilman Norris. No discussion. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE

Adopted

- Resolution to Appoint Summer Recreation Counselors

Councilman Meredith said the director is ready and looks forward to the program.

**RESOLUTION
JULY 12, 2010**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM STAFF

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following counselors are hereby appointed to the Summer Recreation Program for a period of four weeks, commencing July 19, 2010 through August 13, 2010:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Weekly Salary</u>
Leah Leonard	Asst. Director	\$312.50
Desirea Chamberlin	Counselor	\$130.00
Bernadette Foley	Counselor	\$130.00
Zeb Girvin	Counselor	\$130.00
Erica Hauser	Counselor	\$130.00
Kelsey Lenney	Counselor	\$130.00
Darren McNally	Counselor	\$130.00
Hanna O'Connor	Counselor	\$130.00
Alexandra Randio	Counselor	\$130.00
Mikayla Rebusmen	Counselor	\$130.00
Elizabeth Schiller	Counselor	\$130.00

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Summer Recreation 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:

Brad Jourdin Emma Kash Kendall Rebusmen Michael Schiller

Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Councilwoman Finke. No discussion. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE

Adopted

- Resolution to Approve Payment of Sprouts Program

**RESOLUTION
JULY 12, 2010**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING FOR
GREENE COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE ARTS SPROUTS PROGRAM**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the amount of \$175 to be paid from the budgetary appropriation for Cultural Programs to the Greene County Council on the Arts Sprouts Program.

Councilman Meredith moved, seconded by Councilman Byas. No discussion. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
 NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE

Adopted

- Resolution to Approve Sheri Jourdin's Six Month Review

**RESOLUTION
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RESOLUTION ADJUSTING SALARY FOR JUSTICE CLERK

WHEREAS, the Town Board, by Resolution dated January 1, 2010, appointed Sheri Jourdin to the position of full time Justice Clerk for the Town of New Baltimore, and

WHEREAS, said appointment was made on a probationary basis for six months to conclude on July 1, 2010 and

WHEREAS, the Town Justices have indicated in writing that Sheri Jourdin has performed an excellent job during this probationary period, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board resolved that the salary be increased upon a successful completion of a six month probationary period, and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her performance, the Justices have recommended an increase in the salary for the Justice Clerk, Sheri Jourdin from \$27,143 to \$30,256 at the end of the probationary period.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution #6 adopted on January 1, 2010, is hereby amended to increase the salary for Sheri Jourdin to \$30,256 effective July 1, 2010.

Councilman Byas moved, seconded by Supervisor. No discussion. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-ABSTAIN/RELATED
 NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE

Adopted

- Retirement Reporting Resolution

Supervisor reviewed state requirements; Councilman Meredith had reviewed at Work Meeting. If term did not expire, individual can keep same log as previous.

**RESOLUTION
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STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of New Baltimore hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Social Security Number (Last	Registration Number	Standard Work Day (Hrs/day)	Term Begins/Ends	Participate s in Employer's Time Keeping	Days/Month (based on Record of Activities)
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		4 digits)				System (Y/N)	
Elected Officials							
Town Board	Barb Finke	3738	30920292	6	1/1/10-12/31/13	N	
Highway Superintendent	Denis Jordan	3496	38767174	8	1/1/08-12/31/11	Y	N/A
Town Clerk	Janet Brooks	4718	41394537	6	1/1/10-12/31/13	N	
Town Justice	Joseph Farrell, Jr	9870	38974424	6	1/1/08-12/31/11	N	6.3
Appointed Officials							
Sole Assessor	Gordon Bennett	2169	38480497	6	10/1/07-9/30/13	N	10
Wastewater Treatment Operator	James Polverelli	9767	40810202	6	1/1/10 - 12/31/13	N	
Justice Clerk	Sheri Jourdin	9885	40702524	7	1/1/10-12/31/10	N	
Supervisor's Confidential Secretary	Marjorie Loux	5341	40678849	6	1/1/10-12/31/10	N	
Planning Board	Lee Davis	8899	38744520	6	1/1/10-12/31/10	N	
Deputy Highway Supervisor	Alan VanWormer	4937	36434736	8	1/1/10-12/31/10	Y	N/A
Deputy Town Clerk	Marjorie Loux	5341	40678849	6	1/1/10-12/31/10	Y	N/A
Deputy Town Clerk	Claudia Kuder	6181	40999369	6	1/1/10-12/31/10	Y	N/A
Planning Board Clerk	Marjorie Loux	5341	40678849	6	1/1/10-12/31/10	Y	N/A
Assessor's Clerk	Julie Fisk	4883	43171834	6	1/1/10-12/31/10	Y	
Code Enforcement Officer	John Cashin			6	1/1/10-12/31/10	Y	N/A

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Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Councilman Byas. Councilman Byas stated he had just received this; Councilman Meredith said had received it last week. No discussion. Member of the public asked if there was retroactive reporting of prior employees; Supervisor said this was going forward, not backward. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-ABSTAIN/INCLUDED MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

- **Ethics Board**

Supervisor stated that the Planning Board has received its Workplace Violence Training. If there are questions or conflicts, there should be an Ethics Board. In the absence of a Town Ethics Board, a case would go to the county; there is a Greene County Ethics Board but currently no one is sitting on it, although they have a mechanism in place to build it. The Town of New Baltimore under home rule authority would need 3 members to create a Board; the Town is ahead of the curve in that we have been audited by the NYS Comptroller's Office and there are Towns who may not yet have an Ethics Policy. Councilwoman Finke is opposed to a local board, to take the names and faces away from the act. Councilman Norris questioned if a panel of 3 was required to look into a violation? Supervisor said if they had a concern and wanted guidance that is where they would go, and offered to put on a future agenda.

With no more from the Town Board or the public, **Councilman Meredith moved, seconded by Supervisor, to adjourn.**

**BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Janet A. Brooks
Town Clerk