

**MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON  
NOVEMBER 3, 2010 AT 7:00 PM AT TOWN HALL, ONE  
OVEROCKER ROAD, POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Myers  
Councilman Eagleton  
Councilman Conte  
Councilman Cifone  
Councilman Tancredi  
Town Attorney Hagstrom  
Town Clerk Miller

**ABSENT:** Councilman Lecker  
Councilman Krakower

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**Public comments made during a Board Meeting may be heard on the audiotape of that particular meeting, which is kept in the Town Clerk's Office.**

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**7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**SALUTE THE FLAG**

Motion made to suspend the rules for Public Hearing #1: Supervisor Myers/S. Eagleton

CARRIED: 5-0

Doreen Tignanelli: I have concerns about the electronic devices. I guess I don't really understand. I know you are not allowed to take the cart beyond a certain point, but they must at least allow you to take it to an area where you would be parking your car because if you have groceries, so I guess that's my concern, if it does allow you to bring it out into a parking lot then I think there would be an issue because carts would still be around and able to bang into other carts and things like that and then if it doesn't allow you to bring it out to your car, I'm wondering how some people, senior citizens who might not be able to carry heavy groceries and items to their car. I personally would rather see it stay as a coin operated device.

Motion made to close the Public Hearing: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-01 PUBLIC  
HEARING

To Amend Town Code, Chapter 210,  
Entitled "Zoning", Specifically Section  
210-105, Entitled "Shopping Carts".

RESOLUTION

BE IT ENACTED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie, pursuant to public hearings held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, Town of Poughkeepsie, One Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY, does hereby amend the Town Code, Chapter 210, entitled "Zoning", specifically Section 210-105 (B) (2), which amendment is as follows:

DELETE: Section 210-105 (B) (2)

ADD: Section 210-105 (B) (2)

- (2) Shopping carts that are allowed outside the commercial building must have locking devices. The locking devices must be coin operated or electronic.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Town Board declared its intent to act as Lead Agency under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and upon review of a Short Environmental Assessment Form does declare said action as an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that written recommendations were received from the Dutchess County department of Planning and Development and the Town of Poughkeepsie Planning Board; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that said local law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SO MOVED: S. Eagleton/J. Conte

Supervisor Myers: I will say, we heard from the County and they consider this type of action is a local concern.

Councilman Tancredi: Do we know if the electronic type of shopping cart is allowed to be taken out of the store? It does. So, a senior could take their groceries inside their cart to the car? It just doesn't allow them to take it off the property, is that it?

Neil Wilson, Development Director: Right, the systems that are actually in place at the K-Mart on Route 44 is the one that actually prompted this amendment. They actually have a thin electronic wire that is installed in the parking lot and you can see it when you go out there. But, there is a fine perimeter within the parking lot and there is an electronic locking on the front wheels of the cart so it can't beyond that point. It's an area you can move freely in front of the store as designated. It can't be unlocked except by someone from the store coming out and they have a hand held electronic device that unlocks it.

Supervisor Myers: I thought that the purpose of this originally with the coin operated and I know it's a pain to always have a quarter to do this, but, I thought the purpose was to prevent damage to people's vehicles because the people were just leaving them "Helter Skelter" all over the parking lots. What's to keep that from happening if it's an electronic thing? Ok, I go here, I'm two rows back, I take the things out of my car and I have no vested interest in returning the cart anywhere and I'm just going to leave it there and the next guy's car is going to get hit or the wind is going to move it around and slam it into someone's car.

Neil Wilson: Which is the way it is now. We have areas all over Town that should have the coin operated carts. The enforcement has never been there. The retailers are suppressed with the new Zoning Administrator in the past couple of years, moving to enforce all of the codes with this requirement that has been on the books for quite a while. I would say that there are any number of shopping carts that either the person foregoes the .25 cents or they have a cart with a locking device that is broken, so, what I am suggesting to you is that there are a certain number of shopping carts that are not returned back to the stores even with the coin operation.

Supervisor Myers: I agree with you, but I think we need to step up the enforcement of this and I do think that the stores very well know that's the rule and they are just choosing to ignore this and buy new carts and not put the locking device on. I don't think this electronic thing is going to serve the purpose that this law was intended for.

Neil Wilson: Well, the purpose of the law, as I understood it, was literally to corral the carts from straying across the parking lot, but there are any number of carts that over time were ending up being taken off of the premises and ending up in the creeks, adjoining parking lots or any number of places. An electronic device such as the one K-Mart has, would certainly stop that from happening.

Supervisor Myers: Oh, I agree with you, it would keep it out of the creek, and keep it from wondering, but it's not going to save someone's car if it's within its boundaries, from rolling into someone's car and doing damage.

Councilman Conte: Right, the electronic device was originally to prevent people from using it for their personal gain. Bottle collectors and things of that nature. I think that they are \$250 for these shopping carts.

Councilman Tancredi: I just want to make sure the seniors can utilize their carts to get their groceries to the car.

Neil Wilson: They can certainly make it to their cars.

Councilman Eagleton: Doesn't the business have some liability if your car is damaged in their parking lots?

Neil Wilson: Yes, most of the larger merchants we've talked to, if there is a claim of damage from carts striking your car, they say they are taking care of it. I'm just taking their word for it, I haven't followed up on it.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, and Tancredi  
Nays: Supervisor Myers

CARRIED: 4-1

Motion made to suspend the rules for speaking on Public Hearing #2: Supervisor Myers/  
M. Conte

CARRIED: 5-0

#### NO SPEAKERS CAME FORWARD

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/S. Eagleton

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-02 PUBLIC  
HEARING

Amend Town Code, Chapter 210, Entitled  
"Zoning", Specifically Section 210-9,  
Entitled "Definitions", Section 210-122,  
Entitled "Prohibited Signs" & Section 210-  
131 Entitled "Exempt Signs".

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT ENACTED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie, pursuant to public hearings held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, Town of Poughkeepsie, One Overrocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY, does hereby amend the Town Code, Chapter 210, entitled "Zoning", specifically Section 210-9 entitled "Definitions", Section 210-122 (A) (2), entitled "Prohibited Signs" and Section 210-131 F, entitled "Exempt Signs", which amendments are as follows:

#### **Section 210-9. Definitions**

#### **DELETE:**

**ROOFLINE**

**SIGN, ROOF**

#### **Section 210-9 Definitions.**

#### **ADD:**

ROOFLINE – The profile of or silhouette made by a roof or series of roofs.

SIGN, ROOF – Any sign erected on the roof of any building, and any sign that extends above the roofline of any building.

**DELETE: Section 210-122 A (2)**

**ADD: Section 210.122 A (2)**

(2) Roof signs are prohibited.

**Section 210-131. Exempt signs.**

**DELETE: Section 210-131 F.**

**ADD: Section 210-131 F**

F. On premises directional signs for the convenience of the general public, identifying public parking areas, fire zones, and business entrances and exits, wherein each individual directional sign shall not exceed three (3) square feet per face and shall not be mounted higher than six (6) feet in height.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Town Board declared its intent to act as Lead Agency under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and upon review of a Short Environmental Assessment Form does declare said action as an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that written recommendations were received from the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development and the Town of Poughkeepsie Planning Board; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that said local law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SO MOVED: J. Conte/S. Eagleton

Supervisor Myers: We heard from the County on this one and they say, “The local law with local concern and their comments” and their comments are concerning the directional signs and they think that perhaps we should clarify the proposed language or amend it to reflect that it’s an internal requirement.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to suspend the rules for public speaking on Public Hearing #3: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

Supervisor Myers: We are going to adjourn this Public Hearing until December 8<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting, but if there is anyone who wants to speak, you are welcome.

NO SPEAKERS CAME FORWARD

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to adjourn the Public Hearing to the December 8<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None.

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-03 PUBLIC  
HEARING

Amend Town Code, Chapter 210, Entitled  
“Zoning”, Specifically Section 210-9  
Entitled “Definitions” & Section 210-74,  
Entitled “Home Occupations”

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT ENACTED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie, pursuant to public hearings held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, Town of Poughkeepsie, One Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY, does hereby amend the Town Code, Chapter 210, entitled “Zoning”, specifically Section 210-9, entitled “Definitions” and Section 210-74, entitled “Home Occupations”, which amendments are as follows:

#### **Section 210-9. Definitions.**

#### **DELETE:**

**Home Occupation**

**Habitable Space**

#### **Section 210-9. Definitions.**

#### **ADD:**

HOME OCCUPATION – The use of a portion of a dwelling unit for non-residential purposes by a resident thereof.

HABITABLE SPACE – A space in a building for living, sleeping, eating or cooking, or used as a home occupation. Bathrooms, toilet rooms, closets, halls, storage or utility spaces and similar areas are not considered habitable spaces.

**DELETE: Home Occupations.**

**ADD:**

**Section 210-74. Home occupations.**

**Section 210-74. Home occupations.**

- A) The provisions of this section are intended to protect and maintain the residential character of the districts in which such uses are permitted.
- B) Only one home occupation per residential unit shall be permitted. A home occupation shall be clearly accessory to the principal residential use of the dwelling and shall not change the character thereof.
- C) All home occupation activities shall be conducted within the enclosed space of the principal building. No outdoor storage or displays shall be permitted.
- D) No more than one nonresident employee may be employed in the home occupation.
- E) The area of the principal structure in which the home occupation is conducted shall meet all requirements for habitable space as defined in Section 210-9. No more than 15% of the floor area of the principal structure may be used in the home occupation. Areas devoted to inventory and supplies shall not occupy more than 50% of the area permitted to be used for the home occupation.
- F) The residence must be occupied by those engaged in the home occupation.
- G) No exterior visual evidence of the existence of a home occupation shall be permitted. A nameplate identifying the name of the resident carrying out the occupation and the service offered may be authorized by the Zoning Board of Appeals. Such nameplate shall not exceed two square feet and shall not be illuminated or animated.
- H) Services and instruction offered shall be limited to no more than five clients or customers at a time. No services generating noise audible beyond the parcel boundary shall be permitted.

- I) The home occupation shall not generate more than four one-way, commercial vehicle trips per day.
- J) Any additional parking spaces as may be required by the Zoning Board of Appeals shall be provided in such a manner as to preserve the residential character of the parcel.
- K) No wholesale or retail sales with a stock-in-trade shall be permitted on the premises.
- L) No home occupation shall create a hazard to public health, welfare or safety.
- M) In addition to those uses which do not meet all the requirements stated herein, uses which are specifically prohibited as home occupations shall include, but are not limited to, the following: bed & breakfast, ambulance, taxi, towing or similar service; automobile-related business including repair, parts, sales, upholstery, body work, painting or washing service; restaurant; bar; video store; commercial servicing of construction equipment; public stable; kennel; animal hospital; group instrument instruction; boardinghouses; mortuary establishments; convalescent homes and other extended care medical facilities.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Town Board declared its intent to act as Lead Agency under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and upon review of a Short Environmental Assessment Form does declare said action as an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that written recommendations were received from the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development and the Town of Poughkeepsie Planning Board; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that said local law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SO MOVED: Supervisor Myers/T. Tancredi

CARRIED: 5-0

ADJOURNED TO DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> TOWN BOARD MEETING

Motion made to suspend the rules for public speaking on Public Hearing #4: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

CARRIED: 5-0

Michael De Cordova: I'm the owner of Poughkeepsie's only Bed and Breakfast, the "Copper Penny Inn". I've had conversations with Todd and Joe Conte and the



Supervisor and Neil Wilson about this, as well as the Building Inspector and this change will take away a right that I have to expand the business and that was one of the reasons that we were very excited about Poughkeepsie and the Bed and Breakfast idea, because with ten rooms, we might be able to make a living. It's an extremely hard business and is a very fulfilling one, none-the less, and I happen to think it's a good one for Poughkeepsie. On an individual basis, the change will definitely take away a right that we have, which is to expand the 10 rooms. Neil is correct in pointing out that the original site plan, as approved in 1997 would be "Grandfathered". The point really is that that convoluted site plan, which showed two buildings connected by a 50 ft. right angled enclosed hallway is nothing that we would ever build today. It was designed that way to get us approval for 10 rooms with the understanding that we could modify the site plan and come back in as a matter of right, amend the site plan and show a better design of a building with all rooms under one roof. Individually, I believe and I've been advised by Counsel, that this will take away a valuable right that we have. On a more global level for the Town, I would think that the Town would want to encourage Bed and Breakfast use and in one way to encourage anything, is to insure that people can make money at it. The only way to make money in the Bed and Breakfast business is to charge \$400 a night or to have more than 5 rooms. It's my opinion, that if the Town wants to encourage this type of use, they should allow a place with six or seven bedrooms or a place that has reasonable size and land to expand to allow something more than 6-8 rooms that might encourage people to get into this business. I've never been to a College Town where there is 1300 college students living within a two or three mile radius of the Town where there is only one Bed and Breakfast. For me, that's a shame as perhaps the Town will be missing opportunities to leverage people coming to use the walk way. In my mind, it's a problem. I would like to see more Bed and Breakfasts. I don't view them as competitors. I view them as something very positive for the community. With respect to the reason for this change, it's always been my understanding as confirmed by Tim Sickles and Council, that there has been no inconsistency between the Poughkeepsie Zoning Law and the State Law. That's because, Poughkeepsie says, what you are allowed to do and the State says how you are to build it. If the Town is worried about the unsuspecting person who purchases a Bed and Breakfast and thinks that they are going to have the same Building Code applied to them for eight rooms or four, a simple asterisks to the Code saying, "Buyer Beware" If you build over 5, you will be subject to a different Code, would suffice, otherwise, I can't see, except for some punitive measure against me, the only Bed & Breakfast in town, why you would even consider making such a change and taking a right away from a customer who is a very good business for the Town, employs a few people part-time and full-time and who is probably the best ambassador this Town has ever had in terms of telling people where to go, what to eat, what to see. You are taking something away from me and it hurts me and offends me . Passed out books reviewing the Bed & Breakfast business.

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/T. Tancredi

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to reopen public hearing: Supervisor Myers/J. Conte

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to adjourn public hearing until November 17, 2010 Town Board Meeting.  
Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone CARRIED: 5-0

Councilman Tancredi: Neil, my understanding, after speaking with you, is that Mr. de Cordova's 10 rooms will be grandfathered in and he can still build and he has the same rights tomorrow that he has today?

Neil Wilson: To build the plan that was approved in 1997.

Supervisor Myers: But, only that plan.

Councilman Tancredi: Right now, our Code for Bed & Breakfast allows how many rooms?

Neil Wilson: 10. The clarification here is one of trying to bring the Zoning Code in line with when the Building Code says "B & B" and it has to do with the break point between where "B & B" which is defined in the Building Code presently as a single family structure that is converted for transient hospitality type of use consisting of no more than 5 guests rooms, owner occupied, single family structure, where that structure can be converted to that use without triggering a Commercial Code upgrade to the structure. But, it's when you move to that 6<sup>th</sup> room where the Building Code says, "You are now a hotel" and you need a fire suppressing system and you need to have a Commercial Code Occupancy, that is State Building Code. Now, that is a problem for Mr. de Cordova today. That particular change to the Code I believe came in 2004. We have had a series of Building Code changes within the last ten years. He has a Site Plan approval from the Town which permits him to have up to 10 rooms and he could implement that plan tomorrow. He is operating only 4 bedrooms continuously since the original approval. So he is able to go to the fifth bedroom without triggering a Commercial Code upgrade requirement. When he goes to the 6<sup>th</sup>, he would then be classified as a Hotel and is kicked into a different section of the State Building Code. The other type of difficulty he has and it was true under the time of his approval and under the current Code that we have and under the State Building Code is that is that a "B & B" is defined as something that is within a single structure. That includes both the main house and a secondary barn that was included in the 10 rooms back in 1997. The plan shows the two structures being connected through some sort of a breezeway arrangement and he has told me he has no intention of ever building it. That's fine, that's up to him. But, my point is, with this amendment, he still can go and build it if he chooses. I think he is actually looking for some kind of a Zoning Amendment to allow him to go forward about having a full service Inn with a restaurant and that sort of thing. So, that's a different issue. Then it would be classified as a hotel.

Michael de Cordova: Neil, what is the harm done to keep it the way it is? Unless he contradicts my understanding and I don't know if Counsel wants to give his opinion on this, but there is no inconsistency. The Town Zoning states what you are allowed to do and the State tells you how you must build it. There is no inconsistency. Tim Sickles

told me there is no reason to change it. It's not like there are 13 applicants knocking down the Town's door to create Bed & Breakfasts that shouldn't be allowed in Hagantown. There has been two applications ever. One was denied on Spackenkill Road and there is mine. What is the big deal? I would also respectfully ask the Town Board when they contemplate making a change to a law that affects one business, that perhaps they pay that business owner the courtesy of a notification so that business owner could seek advise first.

Councilman Tancredi: Just to remind you Michael, this does not change your business at all. You have four rooms right now and you have approval to go to ten. This won't change anything for you as I understand it.

Michael de Cordova: But that doesn't allow me to change the "Hallway" Structure that currently exists with the "hallway structure" and that I would prefer to be something else. Even if I change it by 5 feet, I won't be able to do it. It also takes something away from me.

11:03-04 PUBLIC  
HEARING

Amend Town Code, Chapter 210, Entitled  
"Zoning", Specifically Section 210-9  
Entitled "Definitions" & Section 210-55,  
Entitled "Bed-And-Breakfast  
Establishments"

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT ENACTED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie, pursuant to public hearings held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, Town of Poughkeepsie, One Overrocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY, does hereby amend the Town Code, Chapter 210, entitled "Zoning", specifically Section 210-9, entitled "Definitions" and Section 210j-55, entitled "Bed-and-breakfast establishments", which amendments are as follows:

#### **Section 210-9. Definitions.**

**DELETE: Bed-and-breakfast**

**ADD:**

#### **Section 210-9. Definitions.**

BED-AND-BREAKFAST – An owner-occupied residence resulting from a conversion of a one-family dwelling, used for providing overnight accommodations and a morning meal, to not more than ten transient lodgers and containing not more than five bedrooms for such lodgers.

**DELETE: Section 210-55. Bed-and-breakfast establishments.**

**ADD:**

**Section 210-55. Bed-and breakfast establishments.**

- A) Bed-and-breakfast establishments are owner-occupied who shall live on the premise. Bed-and-breakfast establishments are subject to the following conditions:
- 1) The owner shall reside on the premises and shall be the operator.
  - 2) Guest occupancy shall be limited to 5 guest rooms accommodating not more than a total of ten lodgers.
  - 3) The dwelling and the lot shall meet all applicable zoning requirements. A one-family dwelling is permitted to be converted for use as a bed and breakfast dwelling under the following conditions:
    - a) No sleeping rooms for transient use shall be located above the second story.
    - b) A fire-safety notice shall be affixed to the occupied side of the entrance door of each bedroom for transient use indicating means of egress, location of means for transmitting fire alarms, if any, and evacuation procedures to be followed in the event of a fire or smoke condition or upon activation of a fire or smoke-detecting or other alarm device.
    - c) Means of egress shall be provided as set forth in the New York State Residential Code.
  - 4) The proprietor may serve meals to overnight guests only. A public dining room and bar is expressly prohibited.
  - 5) Parking lots shall not be located closer than 15 feet to any residential property line providing a buffer for adjacent residential properties.
  - 6) Parking requirements shall conform to Section 210-92.
  - 7) The Dutchess County Department of Health shall certify that the water supply and sewage disposal system is adequate for maximum occupancy of the proposed facility. Certification by the Dutchess County Department of Health is not needed for water if the premises have municipal water, or sewer if the premises have municipal sewer.
  - 8) Guest occupancy shall not exceed 21 consecutive days.
  - 9) Location of signs shall be subject to Planning Board approval.
  - 10) Sign requirements shall conform to Article IX of this Chapter.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that the Town Board declared its intent to act as Lead Agency under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and upon review of a Short Environmental Assessment Form does declare said action as an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that written recommendations were received from

the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development and the Town of Poughkeepsie Planning Board; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that said local law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/T. Tancredi

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to reopen public hearing: Supervisor Myers/J. Conte

CARRIED: 5-0

SO MOVED: Supervisor Myers/T. Tancredi

CARRIED: 5-0

#### ADJOURNED TO NOVEMBER 17, 2010 TOWN BOARD MEETING

Motion made to suspend the rules for Public Hearing #5: Supervisor Myers/T. Tancredi

CARRIED: 5-0

Supervisor Myers: The State Law says that we must open the Public Hearing on the Budget by November 4<sup>th</sup>. They give us lists that we have to comply with. We must close it by November 15<sup>th</sup> and we must adopt a budget by November 20<sup>th</sup>. So, to comply with the law, we are opening this hearing this evening. We are not taking any action, the Budget Committee is not ready at this time. We will be adjourning this until next week's Special Meeting and perhaps at that point in time they will be ready to present stuff.

Doreen Tignanelli e-mailed 4 pages regarding this item, but asked her to disregard them as she was going to add to them and asked that the committee would review them and inform her of any questions.

Matt Fister – Director for Grinnell Library: I spoke a couple of weeks ago and I just want to re-iterate my support for the Town of Poughkeepsie subsidy to the Grinnell Library Association in Wappinger Falls. I would just like to remind the Board that there is a lot of good being done at the Library with the funding we receive from the Town of Poughkeepsie and we appreciate your past support and we look forward to continuing that in the future to help the people who are coming to us looking to better themselves and help the community.

Supervisor Myers: We appreciate the fact that there are several Grinnell Representatives here this evening.

Bob Casement: First, I want to say I'm surprised the Tentative Budget was not cut a lot more than it is.

Supervisor Myers: They haven't cut anything, they just moved it over, and that's what will be happening next week or the week after. They haven't presented any of the cuts yet.

Bob Casement: There are a lot of people out of work or working part-time at lesser pay and us retirees are on fixed in-comes and some are taking lesser incomes than we did before and we are not getting raises like a lot of people. I've lived here over 70 years and I've seen my taxes go up and there are 80 houses on my street and out of those 80 houses there are only about 4 of us are the original owners, all of the rest have moved away. I want to stay here for the rest of my life, but it's getting hard to afford these taxes. I've seen it go from a couple of a hundred dollars and now they are up to several thousand. I went over the budget and I have been able to come up with \$1,635,000 cuts I think could be made. I will give you the list when I'm done and I will challenge you to come up with a zero increase this year. The Fire Department has done it, the School has done it and I think the Town can do it, too. It's nice to give raises to everyone, but we're not getting raises.

Antonio Esreves: I would like to elaborate on what this last gentleman said. I think the majority of us are not getting very little increases, if any at all and we are still working, but even though the Fire Department has a zero increase, we are still going to have taxes go up about 6.5% because we are working with a baseball (inaudible) which puts it at a point where the Town, School and Fire Department needs to try to have none. Not to just not increase the base, but to deduct. Even the smallest increase going up today, affects the fixed incomes tomorrow.

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone.

CARRIED: 5-0

Town Clerk Miller: I did hereby file the affidavit of posting on October 22, 2010 and Published it in the Poughkeepsie Journal on October 26, 2010.

11:03-05 PUBLIC  
HEARING

Preliminary Budget For the Town of  
Poughkeepsie For The Fiscal Year  
Beginning January 1, 2011

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie adopted its Preliminary Budget for the year 2010 on October 20, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board set November 3, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, Town of Poughkeepsie, One Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY as and for the date of the public hearing on said Preliminary Budget; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held on November 3, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall of the Town of Poughkeepsie, One Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby adjourn the public hearing to November 10, 2010.

SO MOVED: M. Cifone/T. Tancredi

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to suspend the rules for public speaking on agenda items: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

CARRIED: 5-0

NO SPEAKERS CAME FORWARD

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-06 SET DATE  
FOR SPECIAL  
MEETING

On November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 To Be Held Before  
The Committee of the Whole Meeting

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby call a Special Meeting on November 10, 2010 at 7:00 PM for the following:

1. Public Hearing – 2011 Budget
2. Any matters that may legally come before the Board.

SO MOVED: T. Tancredi/M. Cifone

Supervisor Myers: I would just add that we have a Committee of the Whole scheduled for next week, which will take place immediately following the Special Meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-07 APPOINTMENT

Police Department of Matthew Winkler as a  
Police Traffic Maintenance Worker

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby appoint Matthew Winkler to the position of Police Traffic Maintenance Worker with the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department at the CSEA Grade 6, Step 1 salary of \$40,456.00, effective November 8, 2010, which appointment is subject to a probationary period of not less than 8 nor more than 26 weeks per Civil Service Law.

SO MOVED: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor  
Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-08 AUTHORIZE  
SUPERVISOR  
TO SIGN

Lease & Maintenance Agreement With New  
York Communications Company, Inc. For  
Police Department's Radio Equipment

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby authorize the Supervisor to sign a Lease Agreement with New York Communications Company, Inc. for the Police Department's radio equipment lease and maintenance, at a cost of \$85,464 per year, which agreement will be for six (6) years commencing March 14, 2011 through March 14, 2017, pursuant to the recommendation of the Chief of Police, a copy of which is attached.

SO MOVED: S. Eagleton/J. Conte

Councilman Tancredi: This is a fixed cost each year? (Yes) And it includes all new radio equipment?

Chief Mauro: Yes, we are experiencing failures in some of our radio equipment and part of our equipment is leased and part is owned and as a cost saving measure, I wanted to lock into a lease program that would cover both the equipment and the maintenance of it, long term, and it will replace everything currently in our vehicles and buildings, substation and extra equipment. It increases our costs approximately \$5,000 a year, but I built that into our budget by cutting costs in other places in our department.

Councilman Tancredi: The last contract was 6 years?

Chief Mauro: The last contract was 7 years.



Councilman Tancredi: So, you are talking about a \$5,000 increase over 7 years.

Chief Mauro: A \$5,000 increase each year over 6 years. The equipment we own is no longer available, the equipment we are leasing is more modern and we want to take advantage of. They are taking all the old equipment as a trade in.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

LEASE AGREEMENT ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-09 BID AWARD

Highway Department of 40' x 80' Steel Storage Building

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby award the bid for one "40' X 80' STEEL STORAGE BUILDING" to Shirk Pole Buildings at the bid price of \$56,800, pursuant to the attached recommendation of the Superintendent of Highways, the cost of which is covered by CHIPS funds.

SO MOVED: J. Conte/S. Eagleton

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

RECOMMENDATION ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-10 AUTHORIZE  
SUPERVISOR  
TO SIGN

Dyal Resources, LLC To Become A Tenant  
Of The Arlington Sewer District For Sewer  
Services To 20-26 Tucker Drive

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie has heretofore received a request from Dyal Resources, LLC, located at 20-26 Tucker Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 (hereinafter the Owner), the Town of Poughkeepsie, a municipal corporation (hereinafter the Town), and the Arlington Sewer District, having its principal place of business located at One Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, to become a tenant of the Arlington Sewer District for sewer services to premises identified as Grid No. 6262-03-144210 consisting 8 acres; and

WHEREAS, the matter has been reviewed by the Town of Poughkeepsie Legal Department, Sewer Department and Engineering Department as to the terms and conditions to be imposed; and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated a sewer agreement acceptable to all parties; now therefore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute said document, a copy of which is attached.

SO MOVED: M. Cifone/J. Conte

Councilman Conte: I just wanted to say that it was a long time coming and a lot of people in the Town put a lot of work into making this happen. I'm glad it finally got done.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers  
Nays: None CARRIED: 5-0

DOCUMENT ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-11 ACCEPT Course Certifications From Dutchess County Planning Federation Issued To Marvin Bennett & Carl Whitehead For Course Entitled "The Transportation – Land Use Connection"

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby accept the Course Certifications from the Dutchess County Planning Federation issued to Marvin Bennett and Carl Whitehead for the course entitled "The Transportation – Land Use Connection", copies of which are attached.

SO MOVED: T. Tancredi/M. Cifone

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers  
Nays: None CARRIED: 5-0

CERTIFICATES ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-12 AUTHORIZE

Return of Recreation Fees and Drainage  
Fees For the Abandoned Arico Subdivision

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby authorize the return of the Recreation Fees and Drainage Fees paid for the Arico Subdivision upon proof of filing the abandonment of the subdivision in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office, pursuant to the documentation from the Director of Municipal Development attached hereto.

SO MOVED: Supervisor Myers/J. Conte

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor  
Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-13 AUTHORIZE

Return of Building Permit Renewal  
Fees To John McKee

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby authorize the return of the Building Permit Renewal Fees to John McKee in the total amount of \$1,097.20, for new home construction at 208 Wilbur Blvd., Poughkeepsie, NY, due to the economic downturn of the past two years, pursuant to the letter received from John McKee, a copy of which is attached.

SO MOVED: S. Eagleton/J. Conte

Councilman Tancredi: Neil, do you have any information on this? Did his permit expire?

Neil Wilson: He actually renewed it before it expired. He's paid the fee and I did transmit a memorandum along with a copy.

Supervisor Myers: I got it.

Councilman Conte: Perhaps maybe we should adjourn this so Councilman Krakower can have input on this?

Councilman Tancredi: Ok, so what's the issue?

Supervisor Myers: He wants to be refunded for the renewal. I would caution the Board on this as we are setting a precedent that we may not want to set. I feel for people and I know there is an economic downturn, but, I think if we say we are going to wave this renewal, and then we are setting a precedent that we may not want to live with in the Town.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: None

Nays: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

FAILED: 0-5

#### LETTER ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-14 RESIGNATION

Sewer Department of Michelle Robison As  
Account Clerk

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby accept, with regret, the resignation of Michelle A. Robison from her position of Account Clerk with the Town of Poughkeepsie Sewer Department, effective the close of business on November 5, 2010.

SO MOVED: J. Conte/S. Eagleton

Supervisor Myers: I do want to thank Michelle for working at the Sewer Department and for the years she spent in our Legal Department. She will be missed, but congratulations on your new position and best of luck in the future.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-15 AUTHORIZE  
SUPERVISOR  
TO SIGN

Justice Court Assistance Program Grant  
Application for Court Facilities

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute the Justice Court Assistance Program Grant Application for the amount of \$10,520.35; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this application will benefit the Town of Poughkeepsie Court Facilities for the purchase of office equipment and furniture.

SO MOVED: M. Cifone/J. Conte

Supervisor Myers: Other than to thank the courts, they have been very successful on getting this grant almost annually and it has saved the Town taxpayers a lot of money by them being able to do a lot of furbishing through this grant.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eaglet on, Conte, CIF one, Tancredo, and Supervisor Myers  
Nays: None CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-16 NOTIFICATION

Public Hearing at Town of Marlborough Town Hall on November 22, 2010 To Amend Town Local Law, Chapter 155, Entitled "Zoning" For Sections 155-18D, 155-29.2B, Section 155-30, Section 155-31, 155-32, & Article VII & Chapter 134, Section 134.9H

NOTED BY TOWN BOARD

11:03-17 NOTIFICATION

Public Hearing at Town of Hyde Park Town Hall on December 13, 2010 for Proposed Local Law F Entitled, "Forest Management"

NOTED BY TOWN BOARD

11:03-18 AUTHORIZE

Special Consent Items SC 1, SC 2, SC 3, SC 4, SC 5, SC 6, and SC 7

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does Hereby grant Special Consent to the following items: to wit:

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| SC 1. Accept                       | Course Certification – Ed LaPerche  |
| SC 2. Authorize Supervisor To Sign | Stormwater Management Facility Inspection & Maintenance Agreement and accept Easement – Dyal Resources, LLC |
| SC 3. Authorize                    | Juliet Café & Pizzeria – Liquor License 30 Day Waiver   |
| SC 4. Notification                 | Liquor License Renewal  |

Julie's Restaurant & Catering, Inc.

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| SC 5. Notification                    | Village of Wappingers Falls Public Hearing                                   |
| SC 6. Accept                          | Course Certification – Carl Whitehead  |
| SC 7. Authorize Supervisor<br>To Sign | MS4 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan<br>Acceptance Form – Dyal Resources |

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the objection of any member of the Town Board, an item may be removed from the list and voted on separately.

SO MOVED: T. Tancredi/J. Conte

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor  
Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-SC 1 ACCEPT

Course Certification From the Dutchess  
Land Conservancy Issued To Ed LaPerche  
For Course Entitled "Conservation  
Easements And Subdivisions: What Works  
And What Doesn't"

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby accept the Course Certification from the Dutchess Land Conservancy issued to Ed LaPerche for the course entitled "Conservation Easements and Subdivisions: What Works and What Doesn't", a copy of which is attached.

SO MOVED: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor  
Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

#### CERTIFICATION ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-SC 2 AUTHORIZE  
SUPERVISOR  
TO SIGN

Stormwater Management Facility Inspection  
Maintenance Agreement & Accept  
Easement With Dyal Resources, LLC

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby accept the Stormwater Management Facility Inspection and Maintenance Easement with Dyal Resources, LLC, a copy of which is attached; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby authorize the Supervisor to sign the Stormwater Management Facility Inspection and Maintenance Agreement with Dyal Resources, LLC, a copy of which is attached.

SO MOVED: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers  
Nays: None CARRIED: 5-0

AGREEMENT ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-SC 3 AUTHORIZE

Waiver of 30 Day Review Period For Renewal of A Liquor License For ZT Galazka Corporation , Owner of Juliet Café & Pizzeria; Located At 60 Raymond Avenue

APPROVED BY POLICE

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby acknowledge receipt of a request from ZT Galazka Corporation, owner of Juliet Café & Pizzeria, 60 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY for a waiver of the 30 day review period for renewal of a liquor license; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby waive the thirty (30) day review period and does authorize and direct the Town Clerk to forward a letter of waiver and consent, pursuant to the attached request.

SO MOVED: J. Conte/S. Eagleton

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor Myers  
Nays: None CARRIED: 5-0

11:03-SC 4 NOTIFICATION

Liquor License Renewal For Julie's

Restaurant & Catering, Inc. Located  
At 49 Raymond Avenue

APPROVED BY POLICE

NOTED BY TOWN BOARD

11:03-SC 5 NOTIFICATION

Notice of Public Hearing by Village  
of Wappingers Falls Zoning Board  
of Appeals on Tuesday, November 9,  
2010 at 7:30 PM In The American  
Legion Hall at 7 Spring Street  
Concerning an Area Variance For  
Franklindale Avenue

NOTED BY TOWN BOARD

11:03-SC 6 ACCEPT

Course Certification From The KSS  
Training Program Issued To Carl H.  
Whitehead For The Course Entitled  
“Green Infrastructure Solutions For  
Stormwater Management”

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Poughkeepsie does hereby accept the Course Certification from KSS Training Program issued to Carl H. Whitehead for the course entitled “Green Infrastructure Solutions for Stormwater Management”, a copy of which is attached.

SO MOVED: M. Cifone/T. Tancredi

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Councilmen Eagleton, Conte, Cifone, Tancredi, and Supervisor  
Myers

Nays: None

CARRIED: 5-0

CERTIFICATE ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

11:03-SC 7 AUTHORIZE

MS 4 Stormwater Pollution



Prevention Plan Acceptance Form  
For Project Known As Dyal  
Resources, 20-26 Tucker Drive

WITHDRAWN FROM AGENDA

Motion made to suspend the rules for public speaking: Supervisor Myers/J. Conte

CARRIED: 5-0

Robert Rubin: I have been trying to understand a little bit how the Town works, what the rules are that they go by and in the course of that I have asked for a copy of the Town Charter. I've also tried to find out a little bit about how the Wards are divided up and in that respect I've contacted the Dutchess County Election Committee and got an e-mail from Fran Knapp (passed the e-mail to Town Attorney David Hagstrom) because it said any questions I had regarding Wards and how we are set up here, should be found in the Town Charter and you would be the best person to have contact with. At some point, at your convenience, we can talk about this, please.

Supervisor Myers: The Town Historian has located a copy and we will have a copy shortly, ok?

Robert Rubin: Thank you.

Kirsten Meuking: I read the story in the Poughkeepsie Journal called "Town Waste Water Bids" and it has the four companies that answered the requests for proposals and I have to say that I was a little bit concerned with some of the names I saw there and I don't want to talk specifically about any particular company, but I do again want to urge you all to really investigate these people before you take any kind of a action and I just wanted to read two brief passages from a book that was written by the International Contortion of Investigative Journalists, which is a project of the Center for Public Integrity, which is a Watch Dog Journalism group that went out and investigated environmental services companies around the world, some of whom are some of the same companies that are listed here in the newspaper article as responding to the RFP. Here is speaking about two different companies, one of whom is actually on the list but I'm not going to name the names right now. Executives of the two companies have been charged and in some cases convicted, of the legal campaign contributions to politicians and of using bribery and fraud to obtain water and other municipal contracts. In addition, the private water companies make promises they often can't keep. Essentially, they promise to deliver a better service at a lower price. It was found that governments often drive up water prices just prior to privatization to give water companies room to immediately reduce prices and win popular approval. So, just so you know, we will all be watching to see if something like that happens here. She read a few other passages from the newspaper article he had with him. You really need to investigate who these companies are, what their past history is and personally, I don't think privatization is necessary. I

find it upsetting that we think we need to go down this route. This is a very important service that needs to remain in the public sector because of the accountability issues.

Antonio Esreves: I thought the research would be done by you, not by us, to be honest with you, and at the last meeting there was a gentleman that read a letter from one of the municipalities up above and you asked him for the letter to see because there was pretty good evidence of it not good to privatize. So, I would expect you the Board or the Committee to have all this information. Also, at the last meeting, you made a statement that you were qualified to do the outsourcing decisions because you have toured a few sites. I hope you never tour the hospitals and become a surgeon, because that would scare the heck out of me. Is there a percentage you are looking to save to make this worthwhile to the public?

Edward Axtmann: I would like to address the proposed privatization upgrade of the Sewer Plants. Since 1959 Town of Poughkeepsie employees have operated their own plants without any major upsets to the environment and minimal tax increases compared to property, school and fire taxes. A job well done by both Town officials and employees. Why would the Town want to privatize the sewer plants? The Answer to that question from the Town Board is to see if we can save the taxpayer money. Hopefully, the Town Board will seriously consider the employee's suggestions that will be put forth to save the Sewer Department money. The Town of Poughkeepsie Sewer Plant employees have a history of being dedicated and doing a good job in the operations and maintenance of the existing facilities. Why would the Town Board possibly want to jeopardize that track record with privatization? Town taxpayers and employees have voiced their disapproval to the Town Board regarding this matter. Hopefully, the taxpayer and employee concerns have not fallen on deaf ears. Many privatization contracts with water and sewer departments in Cities, Towns, and Villages across New York State and the United States have eventually resulted in law suits and cancellations of those contracts due to poor performance of companies who were awarded those contracts. ---The taxpayers and employees of the Town of Poughkeepsie do not want the potential of being added to the list of failures due to privatization. If any of you vote for privatization, remember one word – Accountability- Taxpayers and Town of Poughkeepsie employees will hold you accountable if privatization fails.---- Regarding the dedicated Town of Poughkeepsie Sewer Plant employees, remember an old saying, “If it ain't broke, don't fix it.”, but, if it needs repair, Town of Poughkeepsie Sewer Plant employees are quite capable of negotiating with the Town Board in achieving a mutual agreement of scope of work and benefits that would be beneficial for the employees, the Town Board and the taxpayers. Just work together. --- he also spoke on the proposed upgrades to the existing sewer plants. He asked the Town Board to please make the right decision.

#### LETTER ATTACHED TO FINAL BOOK COPY

Councilman Tancredi: May I just make a comment on one thing Mr. Axtman said. I've heard this before, the idea of this foreign company idea. Just so the record is clear. A number of these companies are incorporated outside of the United States, maybe Britain

or France. We've met with representatives of each one of these companies a couple of times and I get the impression as residents call me, they are thinking that of all this talk of foreign companies that they are sending in Foreign people to work. These are American people working for this company, many from Dutchess County and we've met companies who might be their site manager and often County residents. The concept of foreign company, it's true they may be incorporated outside of the United States, but, the employees who work for these companies, live here in the United States and some in Dutchess County. I just wanted to make that clear.

Doreen Tignanelli: I have a couple of Budget related comments. I asked earlier in the year about the Morris Associates contract that had expired last year and we are paying them almost \$10,000 a month and had asked about an RFP for engineering services to potentially save taxpayer dollars if there was another firm that would do it for less money. Has there been any status on that?

Councilman Cifone: I know we got more hours from Morris for Don to work for us in the Town. So we are getting a lot more hours out of them than we did with no additional cost.

Councilman Tancredi: There has been no discussion of doing an RFP for Engineering. There has been a discussion with Morris about their contract and ways to make it more attractive to the Town of Poughkeepsie and hopefully we can finalize it very soon. I think the fear I would have with doing an RFP for engineering services it's important to know what you are getting and not just take the lowest price. We are doing about the same with the Sewer Plant, we're not necessarily going to end up with the proposals just the lowest price. That may or may not happen, but there is a spread between the companies that have proposed. With the engineering company, we are working on that contract to try and make it---

Doreen Tignanelli: That payment each month is over and above things like when they prepare the stormwater comments in May. I forgot how much it was we paid them also for services when we talked about road improvements that weren't covered by grants, so that was Town money and so I think for the amount of money the Town pays them, I would like to see them consider---

Councilman Tancredi: Maybe there is a way we can change when we bid out work or the design of that work or site inspections on that work, we have discussed this.

Doreen Tignanelli: Also, I had filed a FOIL request about mid September for some information and it was supposed to be provided to Neil Wilson and he said he has not gotten that information from Morris Associates and I would hope that if we are paying them that amount of money they should at least be able to adhere to FOIL time lines. She also spoke on Vassar College hiring their own ambulance service instead of relying on Arlington Fire District. That would be a real big reduction in cost to the Fire Department and Town of Poughkeepsie by not paying for their irresponsible drinking.

She also spoke on the Arlington Fire Department final budget.

Jim Podeszelik: Spoke regarding oversees companies. He was also concerned with who is evaluating their proposals for the Sewer Plants.

Supervisor Myers: The Finance Committee and Mr. Don Beer.

Motion made to resume the rules: Supervisor Myers/T. Tancredi

CARRIED: 5-0

Motion made to close the meeting: Supervisor Myers/M. Cifone

CARRIED: 5-0

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:40 PM

SJM:lkm