

**TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE
TOWN HALL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
JANUARY 09, 2013
7:00 P.M.
SUMMARY**

PRESENT: Supervisor Tancredi
Councilman Baisley
Councilman Eagleton
Councilman Conte
Councilman Cifone
Councilman Krakower
Councilwoman Shershin
Town Attorney Nelson
Town Clerk Miller

AGENDA

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| 01:09-COW1 | PRESENTATION (LEGAL DEPARTMENT) | By Bill Povall & Patrick Moore Concerning Multi-Family Housing On Sheafe Road |
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Patrick Moore: Sean O'Donnell owns property on Sheafe Road. The property is presently zoned as Business/Highway designation. His desire is to seek a zoning change from the Town Board and turn it into a multi-family zoning. The proposal is to build 37 two bedroom apartments units at that location. It is currently vacant. We wanted tonight to come forth with some information. The total property would be about 6.2 acres and it takes into account the acquisition of a portion of the next door parcel. The property is currently served by Town water and sewer and the Casper Creek runs through there but the proposed development would not provide a problem based upon the proximity to the creek.

William Poval, Engineer for Sean O'Donnell: What we've done is show the layout of the 37 units, but we would need to purchase the 2.2 acres adjacent to it to get the amount of land necessary to get the unit count and our client has entered into an agreement to purchase the 2.2 acres. So that would make the total parcel 6.2 acres. Mr. Poval then showed the layout of the project.

Patrick Moore: My client is not here, but I can attest to the fact that he is a very experienced builder. The idea of this project is not for Senior Housing, it is to be opened to the general public

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01:09-COW2 PRESENTATION
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COMPTROLLER
WOJTOWICZ

Jim Wojtowicz, Town
Comptroller's Report On The
2011 Audit Numbers

Jim Wojtowicz: Basically, the Supervisor asked me to start with the 2011 audit numbers. Our fund balance for the Town's three major funds, which makes up the levy: the General Fund, the Part Time Fund and the Highway Fund for 2011- we increased our Fund balance by \$286,000. The Fund balance for the three major funds for the year end was \$530,000. So, that's about 2.3% of a 23 million dollar levy. Our Fourth major fund is the Town's \$23,000,000 Water Fund. That improved by \$358,000 in 2011 and the Fund Balance in our Water Fund is over \$5 million. It's the strongest Fund in the Town. The Sewer Fund is partial Town and is our Sewer Fund. This improved by \$769,000 in 2011 and our Fund Balance for 2011 stands 2.8. It wasn't too long ago when this Fund was in a negative position. Between the action of the Town Board and the good management, I believe it was Mr. Zani. I believe this fund has turned into one of our strengths. The package before you is 2012 results during December. The year is not complete, we're on an accrual basis, so, we have bills that come in and we pay 2012 bills way into March 1013 and the same thing with revenues. We are working on a new Purchasing policy, the one we live with dates back to 1979 and was updated in 1992. I'll also mention that vendors are paid timely in the Town of Poughkeepsie. The town will be prepared to pay our NYS Retirement contribution of 3.2 million dollars on February 1, 2012. No borrowing, no financing. We have the cash. There was borrowing ten years ago that just came off the books. We were paying an additional \$179,000 a year to finance. Supervisor Tancredi doesn't want to borrow for an operating expenses and I support that 110%. So, it's a tough struggle, but we will make that payment on February 01, 2013.

(FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE READ TOWN MINUTES)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. FINANCE
Councilman Krakower: No Report

Krakower, Baisley, Conte

2. FIRE ADVISORY

**Conte, Baisley, Splain &
Fire Officials (Arlington, New
Hamburg, Fairview)**

Councilman Conte: No Report

3. GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
Councilwoman Shershin: No Report

Shershin, Eagleton, Cifone

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- 4. LAND USE & PLANNING** **Krakower, Cifone, Shershin**
(Including Cell Tower & Comp. Plan)
No report other than we are going to try and meet before the Committee of the Whole Meetings and be more active.
- 5. PERSONNEL** **Cifone, Eagleton, Conte**
Councilman Cifone: No Report
- 6. RECREATION** **Baisley, Cifone, Shershin**
(Including Town Day)
Councilman Baisley: We are working on a new baseball field up at South Gate. Grading is about $\frac{3}{4}$ done at no cost to the Town.
- 7. SENIOR CITIZENS** **Baisley, Krakower, Conte**
Councilman Baisley: We are glad to announce that we bought a senior center a couple of days before Christmas and Tom Meyering is in the process of designing it with a small committee and hopefully it will be ready by the middle of summer.
- 8. TECHNOLOGY & EQUIPMENT** **Eagleton, Cifone, Krakower**
Councilman Eagleton: No Report
- 9. WATER, SEWER, HIGHWAY** **Eagleton, Conte, Shershin**
(INFRASTRUCTURE)
Councilman Eagleton: No Report

MEETING CLOSED AT 8:26 P.M.