

**TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
MAY 12, 2010  
TOWN HALL  
7:00 P. M.  
SUMMARY**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Myers  
Councilman Lecker (7:10 p.m.)  
Councilman Eagleton  
Councilman Conte  
Councilman Krakower  
Councilman Tancredi  
Attorney David Hagstrom  
Town Clerk Miller

**ABSENT:** Councilman Cifone

05:12-COW1 PRESENTATION Ryan Murphy - Eagle Scout Project  
(SUPERVISOR MYERS) In Stanley Still Park

**RYAN MURPHY, EAGLE SCOUT, TROOP 2609, WAPPINGERS FALLS:** I am making a natural walking trail and I have prepared a power point to explain what I would like to do. This is an overview of the park and as you can see there are three baseball fields and in the back the trail goes through to the creek. The trail is pretty wide in the beginning. For my project, I, and other volunteers, will be refurbishing the trail that is 672 feet long and I will be lining it with 60 tons of Item 4 (small crushed stone) donated by Tilcon. Brush will be cut back from the trail and logs will be used to line the trail and enclose the item 4. At the end of the trail, where it widens and meets the creek, a sitting area with two benches will be established. There we will plant 20 willows along the creek about 5 to 7 feet apart. This project benefits the community in many ways. Many people use this park for different activities like a baseball practice or to go for a jog. This project will help people to see the natural beauty of the environment and will help make the park better and more people will go to it. People will get exercise by increasing the walking area in the park. No wild life will be affected by the people in the park and there is a great fishing area in the part, The trail will keep people on a designated route so that they won't trample any wild life or natural habitat. **THE TOWN BOARD PRAISED RYAN FOR HIS EFFORTS AND PROJECT & THE WORK AND TIME THAT HE WILL BE PUTTING INTO IT.**

**SHABAZZ JACKSON, GREENWAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, (ONE OF THE SPEAKERS FOR COW – 2 DISCUSSION) STATED THAT THEY COULD DONATE SOME TOP SOIL IF HE NEED TO DO SOME CLEANUP AFTERWARDS. HE SAID THAT THEY ALSO HAVE HUNDREDS OF WILLOW TREES IF RYAN NEEDED ANY MORE AND WOULD BE WILLING TO DONATE THEM TO HIM.**

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05:12-COW2 DISCUSSION  
(COUNCILMAN  
TANCREDI)

Composting Facility - Greenway  
Environmental Services

**COUNCILMAN TANCREDI INTRODUCED SHAZASS JACKSON AND JOSEPHINE PAPAGNI AND STATED THAT HE ASKED THEM TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD TO TELL THEM A LITTLE BIT OF WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING AND WHAT THEIR COMPANY DOES AND POSSIBLY HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE TOWN WHERE THEY WOULD HANDLE ALL OF THE LEAF AND BRUSH DISPOSAL FOR OUR TOWN RESIDENTS AS WELL.**

Josephine Papagni: Stated that she and Shabazz Jackson are the owners and operators of the Greenway Environmental Services, and gave a brief over view of their project. Currently, they have worked at Vassar Farms for a number of years with the composting facility. Shabazz Jackson also spoke about the composting process and the success of their project at Vassar Farms. (full transcript of presentation attached to minutes).

**COUNCILMEN TANCREDI AND CONTE MADE POSITIVE COMMENTS ON THE COMPOSTING FACILITY AND THE REST OF THE BOARD HAD A GENERALLY ACCEPTING ATTITUDE TOWARD THIS FACILITY AND THEIR WORK WITH THE TOWN.**

05:12-COW3 PRESENTATION  
(SUPERVISOR MYERS)

Emily Vail – Dutchess Watershed  
Awareness

Emily Vail: Talked about the Dutchess Watershed Awareness Month, which is an initiative that she has been working on which is coming up July, 2010. She described what watersheds were; why they should be kept healthy and why they are important. Last year the Dutchess Watershed Coalition was formed to promote awareness and active participation of the community in the land and water resources of Dutchess County through educational and recreational events. The primary mission of the Dutchess Watershed Coalition has been to plan and execute Dutchess Watershed Month or (WAM). Ms. Vail then explained about the events during WAM and how the Town could participate in the various WAM events. (full transcript of presentation attached to minutes).

**SUPERVISOR MYERS REQUESTED A COPY OF THE PROCLAMATION SO THAT THE TOWN CAN HOLD AN EVENT.**

05:12-COW4 PRESENTATION  
(PARK FACILITIES &  
PROGRAM DIRECTOR  
MEYERING)

Inter-Municipal Initiative - Sprat  
Pool

(SUPERVISOR MYERS) 10 – 14 Tucker Drive

**THOMAS MEYERING, PARK, FACILITIES AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR,** stated that about two weeks ago, the City of Poughkeepsie contacted the Town,

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through the Greater Newburg YMCA, about the possibility of doing an Inter-Municipal Agreement to run the Spratt Park Pool. Director Meyering spent many hours trying to come up with many details and points to make an Inter-municipal Agreement and partnership work. The goals are common for both groups - to open up swimming pools for residents and make swimming lessons available. The City wants to promote family assets and the use of Spratt Park and the pool. The Recreation Department would like to create partnerships for the betterment of the residents. Director Meyering presented a draft of the partnership to the Town Board.

**THE COUNCILMEN WERE BASICALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE COST OF SUPPLIES, CHARGES FOR USE, INSURANCE, AND WHAT THE CITY BUDGET PROVIDES & EQUIPMENT PROTECTION FROM DAMAGE OR DISAPPEARANCE. WHO PROVIDES THE LESSONS & WHAT ABOUT SAFETY MEASURES? THE CITY IS LOOKING FOR A DECISION ASAP SO THEY CAN DECIDE HOW TO RUN THE POOL IF THERE IS NO PARTNERSHIP. THE COUNCILMEN APPEARED TO AGREE WITH THE INTER-MUNICIPAL INITIATIVE.**

05:12-COW5 PRESENTATION

Proposed Sewer Connection For  
10-14 Tucker Drive

**KEVIN DONOHUE, MUNICIPAL CODE CONSULTING**, spoke for Mr. Dyal, the owner. The building is located at 10 - 14 Tucker Drive, the old TEG Building. What we have is an existing condition of a non-municipal owned sewer pipe. It runs down along Tucker Drive to a manhole in front of 2 Tucker Drive. They currently take a 90 degree turn under 45 Friendly Lane and then to the next property to the Arlington Sewer Main. During site plan application, it was brought to our attention that we may not have legal sewer service. During our investigation, we had discovered that many years ago easements were not filed. There are no easements for the sewer going under 45 Friendly Lane and the owner of that building has sent a letter saying that the pipes are broken before 45 Friendly Lane, which creates a dilemma for Mr. Dyal since we don't have the authority to fix them nor does the Town. So, what we would like is the Town's assistance in facilitating an extension from the manhole to the Arlington Sewer Main, picking up 2 Tucker Drive, 4 Tucker Drive, 8 Tucker Drive and then 10 - 14 Tucker Drive.

The next step is for Dyal to get a map, plan and report for the four properties to have a new improvement area or an extension of an improvement area. The four properties would ultimately pay for the map, plan and report and the approximately \$50,000 for the full cost of the whole project if they agree to do so. If they do not agree, other courses of action can be taken.

**SUPERVISOR MYERS SAID THAT "WE WILL ARRANGE FOR THE REST OF THE BOARD TO HEAR THE OTHER DETAILS."**

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**05:12-COW6 PRESENTATION  
(ADDED AT MEETING)**

Roof Repair For Police/Court Building

**THOMAS MEYERING, PARK, FACILITIES AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR,** stated that the roof has lots of damage - holes, rust spots, loose and missing fasteners, buckled sections and openings in vents, mainly in the court part of the roof. The Police Department roof doesn't seem to be in too bad of shape nor does the warehouse part. There are leaks in the court house's roof that have garbage cans under them. Town Justice Paul Sullivan has received a \$10,000 grant from New York State in March 2010 to do roof repairs. The grant only covers the repairs to the Court roof and not the Police Department part of the roof. The grant monies have to be used by September 1<sup>st</sup> or returned. After receiving three written quotes for repair, the companies who gave the quotes stated that the \$10,000 would only be a band aid fix with no guarantees. A complete fix of the roof from the estimates would run from \$49,000+ to \$64,000 with a warrantee of 10 to 15 years. The limits for a formal bid is \$35,000 unless it is an emergency and so all of the proposals here come in above the formal bid limit. Questions: Where would the town get the monies for full repair? Can the repair be an emergency? What if the Town pays the full amount and the company that does the repairs leaves the area before 10 – 15 years and repairs are needed?

**THE TOWN BOARD NEEDS MORE INFORMATION ON REPAIRS, PERHAPS FROM AN ARCHITECT THAT SPECIALIZES IN ROOFS.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **FINANCE** **Krakower, Tancredi & Lecker**  
**Councilman Krakower:** No report
2. **FIRE ADVISORY** **Eagleton, Conte, Splain & Fire Officials (Arlington, New Hamburg, Fairview)**  
**Councilman Eagleton:** No report
3. **GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS** **Conte, Cifone & Lecker**  
**Councilman Conte:** No report
4. **LAND USE & PLANNING** **Krakower, Tancredi & Cifone**  
**(Including Cell Tower & Comp. Plan)**  
**Councilman Krakower:** No Report
5. **PERSONNEL** **Lecker, Cifone & Conte**  
**Councilman Lecker:** No Report

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**6. RECREATION  
(Including Town Day)**

**Cifone, Tancredi, Eagleton &  
Meyering**

**Councilman Cifone absent: No report**

**7. SENIOR CITIZENS**

**Tancredi, Krakower & Conte**

**Councilman Tancredi: No report**

**8. TECHNOLOGY & EQUIPMENT**

**Eagleton, Cifone & Krakower**

**Councilman Eagleton:** We have one bid for the audio equipment. We have some questions on that bid and once those questions get answered, we are going to go out for two more bids by, hopefully, this Friday and then maybe we can get the lowest bid going.

**9. WATER, SEWER, HIGHWAY  
(INFRASTRUCTURE)**

**Lecker, Eagleton & Conte**

**Councilman Lecker: No report**

**Supervisor Myers:** I have something here. Brookland Farms: not only does the pump station have to be replaced, but there is a hole in the sewer pipe about 65 feet above the pump station and so we have gone out for a price for emergency repair of that pipe. Now, we are looking at close to \$140,000 before everything is said and done down there. It's a permanent fix, not just a patch.

**TOWN BOARD MEETING CLOSED AT 9:17 P.M.**