

The workshop session of the Town Board met this date at the Gardiner Town Hall at 7:00 PM. Present were Supervisor Katz, Councilmen Wiegand, Koenig & Mele and Councilwoman Lemmon. There were approximately 25± audience members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 20 – Gardiner Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary Pancake Breakfast 8 am to noon.

September 11 – Gardiner Day

APPOINTMENT TO OPEN SPACE COMMISSION

On motion of Councilman Koenig, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, Sadell Cantor was appointed to the Open Space Commission. Ms Cantor currently holds the alternate position.

OSI FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

A fund raising committee for open space has been organized to help with the \$50,000 partnering expense agreed to by the Town Board and The Open Space Institute. Board members Koenig & Wiegand will serve on this committee along with Gale Foster, Mike Boylan, Pam O’Dell, Greg Finger and Ray Smith. So far \$1600.00 has been contributed. An account has been established at Empire Bank in New Paltz. All checks should be made payable to the Town of Gardiner and all donations are tax deductible. A kick off campaign is planned for next week.

OSI PARTNERING GRANT RESOLUTION REVISION

Councilwoman Lemmon presented a revised resolution for the OSI partnering, asking Town Board members to adopt and replace the resolution adopted last month. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemmon, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried by a third aye vote from Supervisor Katz adopting the revised resolution. Councilmen Mele and Koenig both voted nay.

Resolution No. 96

WHEREAS, the Open Space Institute (“OSI”), in furtherance of their stated goal of protecting New York State Farmland, has been awarded a grant of 50% of the funding required to purchase the development rights of certain property in the Town of Gardiner known as the “Kiernan Farm”, and **WHEREAS**, the OSI has informed the town of their commitment to fund the rest of the cost of the purchase of the development rights of the Kiernan Farm (the “Project”), and

WHEREAS, the OSI has requested the Town of Gardiner partner in the Project by raising \$50,000 in support, and

THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Town of Gardiner, recognizing the need to preserve open space and balance the tax burden of it citizens during this current economic downturn, commits to raising and paying OSI \$50,000 through private donations or other means, and

THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Town of Gardiner will appoint a committee with the goal of raising \$50,000 dollars over the next 3 years.

DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL DEPOSITORY – EMPIRE STATE BANK

Resolution No. 97 -- Offered by Councilman Mele

Resolved, pursuant to Section 64 of Town Law, the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner hereby designates to the following banking institution an official depository for the Town in accordance with the Investment Policy and other approved agreements:

Empire State Bank

Seconded by Councilman Koenig and carried.

REVISED FEE SCHEDULE

Supervisor Katz handed out copies of an Ulster County Towns fee schedule. He and a committee of Hank Vance, Mike Beck, Mike Boylan, Bob Colucci and Laurie Willow reviewed the various town fees

and at a meeting held on May 20 came up with several suggestions. On motion of Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, changes are adopted as follows: ZBA Variances – Area variance \$200, Use Variance \$300; Planning Board Variances – Site Plan Review Residential \$250, Special Permit Application \$200; Building Department – All application fees will remain the same with the exception of the square footage fee which will be changed to \$.15 per square foot. Compliance Inspection \$200, Zoning Permits \$150. All other fees will remain the same.

The Town Clerk will do a press release. The fees will be effective 10 days after the publication of the press release.

MAJESTIC PARK POLE BUILDING

Bids were opened on May 27, 2010 and the successful bidder to construct the pole building at Majestic Park was Pioneer Pole Builders. The Highway Dept. will be installing a culvert pipe and the land will be leveled by the end of the week. Construction will be completed by June 30. The Funds will be transferred from the Park Reserve Fund next week.

SIDEWALK UPDATE

Councilwoman Lemmon reported that the bid documents for Phase II are now at NYS DOT for review. Estimated cost for this phase is \$559,597 with a 10% contingency.

Engineering work for Phase I is currently at DOT and awaiting approval. All the legal paperwork for property easements along the sidewalk route is slowly getting signed.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Kathy Hudson – made a suggestion to designate parking spots right in front of each business for those who need to be close to a particular business. With regard to the creation of a bank account for the open space – deposits should be mark as designated for the Kiernan Farm.

Pam O'Dell – handicapped parking in front of the liquor store at the intersection of Route 44/55 and Sand Hill Road. When did this happen and who authorized it. Supervisor Katz stated that this was done by the Cupcake Festival. He will contact the festival's coordinator and ask for its removal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilman Koenig, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, the Board entered into executive session at 8:00 PM for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters.

LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND MEETING ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Wiegand, seconded by Councilman Mele and carried, the Board left executive session and adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk