

The September workshop meeting of the Gardiner Town Board was held this date at 7 PM at the Gardiner Town Hall. Supervisor Katz presided with Councilmen Wiegand & Finger, Councilwoman Lemmon and Councilperson Kern present. There were approximately 14± audience members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sept.5 through Sept 30 – Window on Art sponsored by Shawangunk/Gardiner Historical Society.
Sept. 11, 12 & 13 – three-day book sale Gardiner Library
Sept. 12 – Gardiner Day, Majestic Memorial Park, 11:00 AM to 4:30 PM
Sept. 19 – Friends of the Library Plant Sale 9 am to 3 pm Gardiner Town Hall
October 17 – 2nd Annual Art in Gardiner

BIODIVERSITY REPORT – SHAWANGUNK/GARDINER HABITAT ASSESSMENT

TEAM

Angela Sisson, Patti Parmalee and Anne Smith presented and reviewed a habitat map covering both the Towns of Gardiner and Shawangunk, commenting that the map could be used for land use decisions and for community outreach & education. They would like to offer the map to the Town to have posted in the Town Hall for public use.

Secondly, the team did an inspection and assessment of the transfer station property for potential public use. This assessment report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Councilman Finger suggested that the Town Board think about what they are interested in doing with the property over the winter months.

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUATION SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE LAW

Supervisor Katz announced that the Town Board has received the Gardiner Planning Board recommendation.

Councilman Wiegand questioned Section 184-56 which states “occupant” responsibility. He would like the attorney for the Town to clarify if this wording is correct. Board members tabled further discussion to next week.

MASS GATHERING PERMIT – GARDINER DAY

Resolution No. 112 - Gardiner Day – Offered by Councilman Finger

Whereas, the Town of Gardiner has adopted certain rules and regulations governing outdoor musical entertainment, amusement and assemblies in order to provide for public order and the protection of safety, health and well-being of persons and property within the Town known as Chapter 107 of the Municipal Code, and

Whereas, the Gardiner Day Committee has proposed to hold an event known as “Gardiner Day” on Saturday September 12, 2009, at the premises known as George Majestic Memorial Park on Murphy Lane in the Town of Gardiner which is reasonably expected to attract more than 1000 persons, and

Whereas, the applicant has provided the Town Board with information concerning the purpose of the event, the hours of operation, the provision of adequate off-street parking, the provision of fire lanes and toilet facilities, evidence of compliance with the Health Department regulations, proof of adequate liability insurance and copies of notice sent to area police agencies, fire departments and rescue squads, and

Whereas, the Town Board is satisfied that adequate provisions have been made by the applicant and that planned event will not disturb the public order and safety, then

Resolved, the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner hereby grants a permit for an outdoor assembly known as “Gardiner Day” to be held on Saturday September 12, 2009, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. at George Majestic Memorial Park on Murphy Lane in accordance with the application presented to the Town.

Seconded by Councilperson Kern and carried.

GARDINER WEBSITE UPDATE

Linda Engler of Ad Essentials and Supervisor Katz are working together sprucing up the town’s website. Cost for this will not exceed \$1,000. Funding will come from the Supervisor’s unexpended lines.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On the recommendation of the Library Board of Trustees and on motion of Councilman Finger, Lucile Morris was re-appointed for another term to expire on August 1, 2014. This motion was seconded by Councilperson Kern and carried.

Supervisor Katz commented that the appointment of a Library Trustee has always just been rubber stamped by the Town Board. He said it is the prerogative of the Town Board to advertise, if they wish, and open it to the public for interviews. Councilman Finger agrees with the Supervisor and encourages the Library Board to follow this procedure. Councilman Wiegand believes that it is the Town Board’s responsibility to follow through on this process.

GREENWAY GRANT – NYS HUDSON RIVER VALLEY GREENWAY GRANT APPLICATION

Resolution No. 113 – Hamlet Revitalization – Offered by Councilwoman Lemmon

WHEREAS, the Town of Gardiner has conducted extensive community outreach and has developed several Master Plan documents to aid in our Hamlet Revitalization efforts; and

WHEREAS, the community has recognized the long-term economic, environmental and social value of making the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail and the Shawangunk Mountains Scenic Byway a central part of our hamlet revitalization plans; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gardiner currently has no sidewalks, but is planning to install sidewalks, curbing, drainage and lighting in the spring of 2010 and these streetscape improvements will substantially reduce on-street parking that has been used for Rail Trail Access; and

WHEREAS, receipt of Greenway funding would enable the Town to hire Hudson and Pacific Designs to help the Town design two new parking areas for the Rail Trail in the central hamlet.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN BOARD RESOLVES, that Joe Katz, as Supervisor of the Town of Gardiner, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for the 100% matching funds to the NYS Hudson River Valley Greenway in an amount not to exceed \$6,000, and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a project agreement with the Greenway for such financial assistance to the Town of Gardiner for the Project.

Seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried.

SOUTHERN ULSTER ALLIANCE GREENWAY GRANT APPLICATION

Resolution No. 114 – Offered by Councilwoman Lemmon

Whereas, the Town of Gardiner is a founding member of the Southern Ulster Alliance, whose sole purpose is to create a structure for regional cooperation and economic development that is broadly based and inclusive; and

Whereas, the Southern Ulster Alliance is apply to the Hudson River Greenway Community Council for a grant to enlist the services of a professional trail designer to design the connection of the Hudson Valley Rail Trail in the Town of Lloyd to the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail in the Town of new Paltz; and

Whereas, the Southern Ulster Alliance completed and adopted a Trail Report in 2008, which outlines the future trail needs within Southern Ulster Alliance; and

Whereas, the connection of the Hudson Valley Rail Trail in the Town of Lloyd to the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail in the Town of New Paltz is an integral part of the future trails plan; and

Whereas, the connection of this trail will link the “Walkway Over the Hudson” to New Paltz, Gardiner, Rosendale and additional Town both North and South; and

Whereas, the completion of the link between these two rail trails is identified as beneficial for recreation and tourism; and

Whereas, the completion of this link is consistent with each of the three goals of the Ulster County Non-Motorized Transportation Plan and is a portion of “Project 4 Route 299 Bike Demonstration Corridor”; and

Whereas, the Town of New Paltz will contribute \$3000, the Town of Lloyd will contribute \$1000 and the Southern Ulster Alliance will contribute its planning and financial resources to complete the remaining match,

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner is giving its full support for the grant application as proposed.

Seconded by Councilman Finger and carried.

ADOPTION OF SARA MU-1 LIST – SUBJECT MATTER LIST

Resolution No. 115 – Offered by Councilman Finger

WHEREAS, Public Officers Law section 87[3](c) requires that each agency maintain a reasonably detailed current list by subject matter of all records in the possession of the agency, and

WHEREAS, the State Archives and Records Administration (SARA) has developed a records and disposal schedule known as MU-1, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of State, Committee on Open Government has advised the Town of Gardiner that it may satisfy the requirement of maintaining a “subject matter list” by adopting by resolution the SARA MU-1 list as its subject matter list in compliance with Public Officers Law section 87[3](c),

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner hereby adopts the SARA records retention and disposal schedule, known as MU-1 as its subject matter list, pursuant to Public Officers Law section 87[3](c).

Seconded by Councilperson Kern and carried.

TRANSFER STATION UPDATE

Supervisor Katz announced that the transfer station renovation should be complete this week. He and building inspector Hank Vance met with the new director of DEC Region 3 and he reminded Mr. Katz to apply for a DEC grant for the recycling part of the project.

Mark Millsbaugh from Sterling Environmental has agreed to complete the application on behalf of the Town for a fee of \$900. This grant, if awarded to the Town, is for 50% return of all eligible costs for recycling, approximately a six figure return.

A public opening of the transfer station will be scheduled within the next couple of weeks.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. Rinaldo – asked the status of the Tuthilltown Spirits liquor license application since the last meeting.

Councilman Finger commented that he has done research on grain distillates reporting requirements and stated that the requirements are all outlined by the EPA and they are very minimal.

Pam O'Dell – questioned why the Board was so intent on getting involved with the application of this license. Because of a handful of residents the town is interfering with this business' ability to operate.

Asked when the budget meetings will begin.

John Habersberger – can't believe there are no regulations on alcohol storage. Asked about the Planning Board vacancy and when the interviews will take place. Supervisor Katz stated that the Town has received two (2) applications and interviews were scheduled for October.

FLOOD PREVENTION LAW

Councilman Finger thanked the Town Clerk for filing the new Flood Prevention Law quickly.

Confirmation has been received that it has been filed with the State of New York and is now in effect.

WILDLIFE URBAN INTERFACE PROGRAM

Councilman Finger commented that the Firewise Program training will begin in February.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Councilman Wiegand announced that the next Business Development Meeting is scheduled for Monday September 14 at 7:00 PM.

WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON QUADRICENTENNIAL

On October 3 various towns in the Hudson Valley will be participating in the opening of the Walkway over the Hudson. Artwork will be carried by representatives of each town. The organizers for the day will not allow personal vehicles near the site. The only transportation allowed will be buses. Councilperson Kern is obtaining more information, but at this time is asking for monetary support for a bus. She will come back to next week's meeting with all the information.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilperson Kern, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk