

Special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Chester was held **May 25, 2006 at 7:30 pm** in the Town of Chester Municipal Center, Chestertown, NY.

Roll Call: Frederick H Monroe, Michael Packer, Frank Shaw, Edna Wells, and Karen DuRose. Joe Koch - Schroon Lake Park Commissioner.

Purpose of the special meeting was to authorize application for additional grant funds for the Starbuckville Dam, re-bid of the Pottersville stone wall project and any other such business that may come before the Town Board.

RESOLUTION #101: JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNS OF CHESTER, HORICON, AND SCHROON REAFFIRMING COMMITMENT TO SCHROON LAKE PARK DISTRICT AND SUPPORTING APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSISTANCE FOR STARBUCKVILLE DAM PROJECT.

Introduced by Mr. Shaw, 2nd by Mrs. Wells:

WHEREAS, the Schroon Lake Park District was formed by an act of the New York State legislature set forth at Chapter 688 of The Laws of 1955; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of Chester, Horicon and Schroon appoint duly authorized Commissioners to govern the District and administer its functions; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of Chester, Horicon and Schroon wish to reaffirm their commitment to the Schroon Lake Park District in order to ensure that the District Commissioners exercise the necessary care and diligence to fulfill the District's mandate and govern it accordingly in a diligent and attentive manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that each Town Board reaffirms the commitment of its respective Town to the Schroon Lake Park District; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each Town will appoint its duly designated representative Commissioners through careful selection in order to ensure that such representatives are prepared to schedule and attend regular meetings of the District, keep their respective Towns informed of the status of all matters conducted by and coming before the District and otherwise carry out the functions of the District as set forth in its enabling legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each Town will also carry out its obligations to the District as set forth in such legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each Town supports the District's application for additional State Assistance through the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act of 1996 Title 3--Sec.56-0311 Dam Safety Project for repair and reconstruction of the Starbuckville Dam and supports such repair project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each Town is confident that, through careful selection of conscientious Commissioners, the District will be able to carry out and complete the dam repair project for which additional State Assistance is sought; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution as enacted by the Town

Boards of the towns of Chester, Horicon, and Schroon shall be forwarded to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for its information in administering the State Assistance Contract referred to above.

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Joe Koch shared some additional information with the Board. Following Mr. Koch's departure, the Board discussed having a plaque made up for him in recognition of his work on this project.

RESOLUTION #102: AUTHORIZE MR. MONROE TO HAVE TOWN HIGHWAY CREW DO THE WORK ON THE POTTERSVILLE STONE WALL AND PURCHASE THE MATERIAL FROM DUKE CONCRETE UNLESS SAME COLOR AND TYPE CAN BE PURCHASED CHEAPER FROM ANOTHER DISTRIBUTOR.

Introduced by Mr. Shaw, 2nd by Mr. Packer to have the Highway Crew do the work on the Pottersville Stone Wall, and to purchase the material from Duke Concrete. The cost of the blocks and materials would be \$8.75 per foot. At 775 feet, the cost would equal \$6,781.25. Highway Superintendent Gary Clark would like to purchase a hand compactor to do the job, which is something they need anyway, and could be utilized by the highway in the future. Board would like commitment for a date to have the job done. Mr. Monroe would like it done by August 15th, but should be able to negotiate the date. The sidewalk should be done at the same time, already budgeted. Overtime should not be used for this project without permission. Mr. Monroe will also try to get a second quote on the blocks from another company, but needs to be sure that colors will match.

AYE 5 NO 0

RESOLUTION #103: AUTHORIZE BRUCE NOLIN TO COMMUNICATE WITH GLENS FALLS NATIONAL BANK, ANY OFFICE, AS AN AGENT OF THE TOWN.

Introduced by Mr. Shaw, 2nd by Mr. Packer to have Bruce Nolin, Bookkeeper, communicate with any office of the Glens Falls National Bank as an agent for the Town. Mr. Nolin handles the Town accounts, but the Glens Falls branch will not communicate with him as he is not listed on the account.

AYE 5 NO 0

Trail system grant application. Discussion on the grant application, and trail starting at Rte's. 8 & 9, going up to Dynamite, to Schroon River over to Jenk's Swamp. The Nature Conservancy is opposed to installing a boardwalk at Jenk's Swamp. Mr. Monroe recalled the Nature Conservancy, in applying for a tax exempt status about 10 years ago, declaring the area to be educational, with a nature trail and a boardwalk. The resolution that had been made for it will be included in the grant application. A cheaper alternative, if the Town of Horicon would participate, would be to go over the Starbuckville Bridge to East Shore Drive, offering great views of the River. This proposal will also be included in the application. Senator Betty Little had indicated to Mr. Monroe that she thought the Occupancy Tax would be authorized for this use.

Milfoil. Mr. Monroe had talked with Cedar Eden (??) from Saranac Lake and Adirondack Ecologists from Crown Point. May re-bid. Mr. Monroe stated that we can make a deal for divers. **Tabled.**

Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages meeting in Lake Placid.

The meeting will be held June 4th and 5th, Mr. Monroe will be attending and invited any Board members who wanted to, to go. Discussed rate to stay over as opposed to traveling and claiming mileage. Further discussion ensued.

Christmas Tree for Rockefeller Center. Mrs. DuRose asked if it would be alright to speak to the Woodlands Department at Finch Pruyn about a tree.

Junk Ordinance. Mr. Tennyson had spoken with Mr. Monroe with regard to junk and lack of a junk ordinance in the Town. Following discussion, consensus of the Board was to think on it and to proceed with caution. **Tabled.**

Motion by Mr. Monroe, meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Deputy Town Clerk