

Special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Chester was held **September 27, 2006** at 7:00pm in the Town of Chester Municipal Center, Chestertown, NY.

Roll Call: Fred Monroe, Mike Packer, Frank Shaw, Edna Wells, and Karen DuRose. Mark Schachner - Attorney for the Town.

Purpose of special meeting was to review the Restore New York Grant Application and any other such business that may come before the board.

Supervisor Monroe opened the public hearing at 7:00 pm on the Restore New York Grant Application. Supervisor Monroe had contacted the new owners (Andy and Susan Beadnell) of the Glendale property in regards to applying for the grant as co-applicant

New owners, Beadland Park LLC, commented as to plans that they have for the property. At this time consideration is being given for some kind of affordable housing with perhaps a commercial spot at the front of the area.

Mr. Lowell Smith, Route 9 Pottersville resident, inquired if there would be any change to property value in the area. Was felt that the Glendale property/area would be improved by cleaning it up and doing demolition. This would enhance the area and the hamlet of Pottersville.

No other comments were received. Town Board is in total support of the application.

Supervisor Monroe closed the public hearing at 7:18 pm.

Mark Schachner, attorney for the Town, has drafted a contract between the Town of Chester and Beadland Park LLC in regards to obligations of each party. Supervisor Monroe will send copy of agreement to Beadland Park for review and signing.

RESOLUTION #162: RATIFY RESTORE NEW YORK GRANT APPLICATION.

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

RESOLVE that the Town Board of the Town of Chester, after conducting the Public Hearing on Restore New York Grant application and receiving comments in favor of such project the Town Board hereby ratifies the Restore New York Grant application that has been submitted.

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Town Board requested Paul Maniacek, Assessor, to attend and review the cost and reasons for reval. Reval is overlapped from 2007 to 2008 (12 month program) and cost is \$50,000 minus revaluation aid (aid would be questionable in 2011) Mr. Maniacek reviewed past years on reval schedule and said that the farther we get from evaluation date, which was 2004, more inequity "creeps into the roll". Discussion on town of Chester's equalization rate, which is now 75%. Mr. Maniacek felt that

the number of parcels for Chester is close to 4000.

Supervisor Monroe will contact Supervisor Bentley (Town of Horicon) to see if they would delay their reval program for one year. (start in 2008 and complete in 2009)

At this time Supervisor Monroe has not included anything for the reval in the 2007 budget. A problem could result if Horicon does reval and Chester doesn't.

Discussion on the decorative streetlights that Town of Hague will sell. The lights and pole, that Hague has, have a bracket for banners and an outlet, but does not have a cap for directing light downward. Town Board decided to keep the original design for the decorative streetlights.

Motion by Mr. Shaw, 2nd by Mrs. Wells Town Board went into Executive Session at 8:00pm to discuss CSEA negotiations. Town Board resumed regular session at 8:20pm. No action taken.

Motion by Mr. Shaw meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Town Clerk