

Work Session held by the Town Board, Town of Yorktown on November 23, 2010. Yorktown Town Hall, 363 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598.

Present: Susan Siegel, Supervisor
Nicholas J. Bianco, Councilman
James J. Martorano, Councilman
Terrence P. Murphy, Councilman
Vishnu V. Patel, Councilman
Diana L. Quast, Deputy Town Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Siegel motioned, seconded by Councilman Martorano, to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Certiorari Settlements, Litigation and personnel. Upon motion made by Councilman Martorano, seconded by Councilman Bianco, the Town Board moved into the work session.

WORK SESSION

Supervisor Susan Siegel called the meeting to order. Town Attorney Jeannette Koster was also present.

CROTON OVERLOOK

David Steinmetz, Esq. representing applicant, stated that this is an update on where we are. The Town Board has a petition from the applicant to rezone the property to RSP-1 which is an active 55 and over community. The property is 65 acres located on Route 100 near Route 134. The proposal is for 70 units of active adult housing, fee simple, single family lots. 20 to 25 acres will be used for the site and 45 acres will be reserved in mostly its natural state. Some will be used for passive and active recreation. There is a proposal to provide the Town with a \$650,000 contribution to be used for seniors & recreation.

Mr. Steinmetz encouraged the Town Board to do a site visit and walk off the property.

Councilman Martorano asked if this project would be affected by the Tree ordinance law.

The applicant stated that she will look into that and meet with the appropriate boards and committees to review the project.

Director of Planning John Tegeder stated that the Planning Board reviewed the application and the Planning Board believes there is not enough information for them to either recommend the application be approved or denied. The Planning Board outlined their role as in involved agency. In their estimation, there is potential for significant adverse impacts here.

VIDEO EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

The Town Board agreed to re-appoint the members of the Cable Committee and to move forward with updating the video equipment in the boardroom.

WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Water Distribution Superintendent David Rambo was present to discuss with the Town Board a plan to replace 2,400 water meters that still need to be updated. The Town Board agreed to move forward with the replacements at no cost to the homeowners.

SENIOR ENTERTAINMENT FUNDS

The Town Board discussed a request from Jefferson Village Travel Club/Social Planning Club to apply for a subsidy for entertainment expenses. The Town Board decided to hold off on making a decision on this issue.

WETLANDS PERMIT – JOHN KINCART
TREE REMOVAL IN WETLANDS
RESOLUTION #536

Upon motion made by Supervisor Siegel moved, seconded by Councilman Murphy,

Resolved, that subject to determinations by the Town of Yorktown’s Environmental Consultant Bruce Barber and Town Attorney Jeannette Koster, the Town Board approves giving the Town Engineer the authority to issue an administrative wetlands permit to John Kincart and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the determinations shall be based on the existing Code of the Town of Yorktown and;

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that if the permit is issued by the Town Engineer, it will be subject to all the terms and conditions pursuant to the Town’s Wetlands Code and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the Environmental Consultant Bruce Barber and Town Attorney Jeannette Koster determine that an administrative permit should not be issued, the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to refer this application to the appropriate agencies.

Siegel, Bianco, Martorano, Murphy, Patel Voting Aye
Resolution adopted.

2011 MEETING SCHEDULE

The Town Board reviewed the 2011 Town Board meeting schedule.

BERNSTEIN PROPERTY

Supervisor Siegel stated that the winning bidder of the Bernstein property has backed out of the sale. She feels that there are four options at this time. The Town can hire a real estate agent, auction it off with sealed bids, make it an affordable housing area or auction it through the auction company again.

Mr. William Primavera said he had offered a proposal to rehab the house, sell it and have the Town pay him a portion of the proceeds.

The Town Board asked Mr. William Primavera to send a proposal into the Town Board for review.

CODE ENFORCEMENT
TOWN PROSECUTOR – INGRID O’SULLIVAN

Town Prosecutor Ingrid O’Sullivan was present to give the Town Board an update on all the open and closed cases she has worked on since 8/2010. The Town Board agreed to allow Ms. O’Sullivan to proceed and close as many cases as she can.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PURCHASE
RESOLUTION #537

Upon motion made by Councilman Martorano, seconded by Councilman Murphy,

Resolved, the Town Board directs the Comptroller to pay Peckham Materials Corp. in the amount of \$11,492.98 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Highway Department will include the use of shim mix with a drag box on all future bids for blacktop.

Siegel, Bianco, Martorano, Murphy, Patel Voting Aye
Resolution adopted.

TOWN BOARD AGENDA
DECEMBER 7, 2010

The Town Board discussed the December 7, 2010 Town Board meeting agenda which will be held at 363 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598 beginning at 7:30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Martorano motioned, seconded by Councilman Murphy, to move into Executive Session to discuss litigation and contract negotiations fro insurance coverage.

ADJOURN

Councilman Martorano moved, seconded by Councilman Patel, to adjourn the Town Board meeting.

Diana L. Quast
Deputy Town Clerk
Town of Yorktown