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TOWN OF STUYVESANT  
TOWN BOARD  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
DECEMBER 14, 2006  
6:30 P.M.  
STUYVESANT TOWN HALL  
STUYVESANT, NY

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on December 14, 2006 at 6:30pm regarding the Senior Citizen and Limited Income Disability Exemptions. This public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 5 Sunset Drive, Stuyvesant, New York

Lori Ennis  
Town Clerk

Supervisor Bertram read the list of sliding scales and the percentage amounts. There were no questions or comments from the public or the Board.

Supervisor Bertram closed the Public Hearing at 6:37pm.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
TOWN OF STUYVESANT  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
DECEMBER 14, 2006  
6:45 P.M.  
STUYVESANT TOWN HALL  
STUYVESANT, NY

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Supervisor Bertram explained that we have 3 fire contracts. The amount for each annual contract increased by \$250.00. Contracted amounts are \$5500.00 each. There were no questions or comments from the public or the Board.

Supervisor Bertram closed the Public Hearing at 6:50.

## December 14, 2006 Town Board Meeting

The Stuyvesant Town Board held its regular monthly meeting on December 14, 2006 at the Stuyvesant Town Hall. In attendance were Supervisor Valerie Bertram, Councilperson Richard Cummings, Councilperson Ronald Knott, Councilperson Bradley Webster and

Town Clerk, Lori Ennis. Superintendent of Highways Bernard Kowalski was also present.

A motion to approve the November minutes was made by Councilperson Bradley Webster, seconded by Councilperson Ronald Knott, approved.

**COMMUNICATION:**

- **Letter from Hudson River Valley Greenway** regarding eligibility to receive signs identifying amenities of Stuyvesant Landing.
- **Letter from Columbia County Sheriff's Office** announcing a new Youth Explorer Post Program. Supervisor Bertram said if anyone was interested to let her know and she could get him or her additional information.
- **Letter from Martin Roby** regarding previous correspondence to the Board and Supervisor Bertram.
- **Letter of Resignation from Town Clerk Lori Ennis.** Supervisor Bertram thanked Lori for her years of service.

A motion to accept the communications as read, and be brought up under proper heading was made by Councilperson Bradley Webster, seconded by Councilperson Richard Cummings, carried.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Councilperson Richard Cummings, seconded by Councilperson Ronald Knott, carried.

**REPORTS**

**TOWN CLERK:**

- In the Month of November the Town Clerk took in \$1802.50 and a check for \$1504.61 was given to Supervisor Bertram.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

- We need to pass a resolution to abandon St. Mary's Road and Town Clerk's Road.
- A resolution is needed to adopt the road known as Stuyvesant Place.

A motion was made by Councilperson Ronald Knott to abandon the roads as mentioned above and to make a resolution for Stuyvesant Place, seconded by Councilperson Richard Cummings, carried.

**PLANNING AND ZONING:**

- There was no Zoning Board meeting in November.
- The Public Hearing for the Great Oaks subdivision was closed
- The Public Hearing for Ann MacIntosh was closed and the request approved.
- There is a Site Plan Public Hearing for the Knott mobile home request scheduled for December 18, 2006.
- A minor subdivision request made by the Rybkas needed to be revised. They will have revisions made and will return to a later meeting.

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**CEO/ZEO REPORT:**

- Report is on file with the Town Clerk.
- Mr. Ennis has completed his mandated courses.
- The final Certificate of Occupancy has been issued for Stuyvesant Place.
- Building Inspector and Assessor are working together to come up with a computer program/system that will better cross-track projects in the town.
- Building Inspector brought in an extra \$1000.00 for renewals of building permits.

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER:**

- Report is on file with the Town Clerk.
- Councilperson Ronald Knott asked about appointing Mr. Pulver the "Animal Control Officer" to enable him to handle calls for other animals than dogs.

**GREENWAY COMMITTEE:**

- Meeting was held on December 7.
- Greenway Committee members William Vick, Councilperson Ronald Knott, and Margaret Pino attended a training.
- There was an extensive discussion regarding PDRs and it was interesting to get the farmers' perspective.
- The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2007.

**AGRICULTURE:**

- No report

**RAILROAD RESTORATION:**

- Marilyn Burch reported on the "Holiday at the Station" party. They raised \$245.00 selling copies of the Hudson Valley Ruins book, that the Railroad Station was mentioned in, and additional \$245.00 with a bake sale.
- Councilperson Ronald Knott reported that he has spoken with different contractors regarding getting the electricity to the building - whether it was more feasible to go under or over the road. Supervisor Bertram said the preference was to go under the road. Councilperson Bradley Webster asked if there was any information from a discussion with Burka from about 3 years ago. Councilperson Knott said there was no additional information from Burka.
- Councilperson Knott requested permission to erect an interior wall to hang the electric box on. The wall will eventually be part of either a bathroom or utility room. Supervisor Bertram asked if it was historically correct and Councilperson Knott responded that there was a wall included on the original drawings.

**RECREATION:**

- Supervisor Bertram and Doctor Matthew Asbornsen worked together on the press release regarding the layout of the land on Sharptown Road and the development and future anticipated use of the property.
- Doctor Asbornsen gave an extensive history and discussion regarding the subject property as well as his and Mrs. Asbornsen's history in the town.
- Supervisor Bertram addressed the issue of Zoning. With the anticipated use for the property being a park which is not allowed in an Agricultural Zone, there are two options to make the project happen. Either the town can apply to the

Zoning Board for a variance which could take up to 4 months or the Town can be declared "Exempt" which would take a public hearing. If there were no objections at the public hearing, a plan could be started right away.

- Councilpersons Brad Webster and Richard Cummings have agreed to chair the committee looking into uses for the "new" town property.
- A Public Hearing has been scheduled for January 11, 2007 at 6:30pm to discuss the town being declared exempt.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

- Councilperson Brad Webster made a motion to accept the Senior Exemptions as discussed at the earlier held Public Hearing, seconded by Councilperson Ronald Knott, carried.
- Councilperson Richard Cummings made a motion to approve the contracts for the Fire Protection Districts as discussed at the earlier held Public Hearing, seconded by Councilperson Brad Webster, carried.

#### **GARDEN CLUB:**

- Supervisor Bertram thanked the Stuyvesant Garden Club for decorating the Town Hall for the holidays.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Supervisor Bertram announced that the new Town Officials will be sworn in on January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am at the Town Hall. All are invited to attend.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Lee Jamison asked if there was something that could be done about the intersection of Routes 26A and 9J. There have been 3 bad accidents there in the past year.

Doctor Asbornsen asked if the Board could contact the County or the State regarding the intersection.

Councilperson Brad Webster said he would like to see a traffic light put there instead of the blinking light.

Lee Jamison asked if there was an action on Ned DePew's request from the November meeting that Valerie talk to the County Board of Supervisors regarding the LeFarge Tire Burning Plant. Supervisor Bertram said that although the County Board hasn't done anything in writing there have been discussions about the air quality monitors. She said that she could bring it up again to the County Board.

Lee Jamison next started the discussion regarding the new Wide Waters project in Greenport. Kathy Schneider and other Stuyvesant residents attended the public meeting in Greenport. The Town Board was requested to contact the County Planning Board to ask them to look carefully at the project.

Although the County Planning Board reviews the project, they cannot override a decision by the Town of Greenport if they decide to allow the project to continue.

Don Hogan asked Supervisor Bertram for an update on the situation with his neighbor. Supervisor Bertram said they were

trying to arrange permission from the homeowner for the Building Inspector to enter the property to perform a safety inspection.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Year-end meeting will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2006 at 7:00pm.

Motion made by Councilperson Richard Cummings to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Ronald Knott, carried.

**2006 ABSTRACTS**

THE FOLLOWING BILLS WERE PRESENTED FOR AUDIT:

408	National Grid	2094.50	434	Mark Fitzgerald	195.50
409	Berkshire Tel.	306.28	435	Col.Co. Treasurer	3889.43
410	Williamson Law Bk	144.50	436	Johnson Newspaper	29.98
411	Tal Rappleyea	1975.00	437	Hud.Vall. News	26.33
412	Assoc of Towns	649.00	438	Mario's	333.89
413	Melissa Naegeli	46.71	439	Staples	350.41
414	Business Auto Svcs	200.00	440	Catherine Knott	10.43
415	William VanAlstyne	86.40	441	Sweeps	34.85
416	Morris Assoc	256.97	442	Marilyn Burch	58.48
417	COARC	27.50	443	Global Industries	41.28
418	The Shedman	130.00	444	Metz Wood Harder	19763.19
419	Howard Gleason, Jr	95.00	445	Cargill, Inc.	5912.77
420	Dell Marketing	1105.96	446	Day's Repair	110.00
421	Lang Stamp Co.	22.50	447	Tractor Supply	34.03
422	Assessor's Assoc	85.00	448	Van Kleek's Tire	685.61
423	Carrie O'Hare	32.24	449	Unifirst	270.33
424	Service Education	700.00	450	Ben Funk	89.37
425	Nova	15.00	451	Carquest	94.77
426	Matthew Bender	61.70	452	Long Oil Heat	2413.81
427	Col. Co. Treasurer	70.00	453	Chemung Supply Co	707.30
428	Gerald Ennis	126.84	454	CC Solid Waste	964.94
429	Xerox	124.92	455	Nextel Partners	50.18
430	University Press	148.83	456	Mulica Trucking	2203.40
431	City Locksmith	149.00			
432	Tech Partners	50.00			
433	Consol Plastics	493.38			

Recorded this 14th day of December 2006

Approved this 11th day of January 2007

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