

# TOWN OF LLOYD TOWN BOARD

## WORKSHOP MEETING

JUNE 1, 2011

**Present:** Supervisor Raymond Costantino  
Councilmember Kevin Brennie\*  
Councilmember Nancy Hammond  
Councilmember Herbert Litts, III  
Councilmember Jeffrey Paladino\*

**Also present:** Lewis DiStasi, Attorney  
Rosaria Peplow, Town Clerk

**Absent:** None

**5:00 PM** – Supervisor opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1. REPORTS

#### A. Assessor – Elaine Rivera

Supervisor noted that Rivera emailed her report to the Board members.

Litts reported that Grievance Day was May 24 and there were 58 grievances filed, a number of which were commercial properties; the Board of Assessment Review requested additional information on the commercial properties. The Board of Assessment Review will meet on June 8 to begin their deliberations.

#### B. Building & Zoning Department – David Barton recalled that last year at this time the Supervisor had asked him to get more aggressive in getting the lawns mowed on the foreclosed and abandoned properties. He feels this will happen again in another month and he will ask the Board to go to bid for someone to mow. Chapter 79-C states that the cost of the mowing be added to the property tax bill. The homeowner will receive an invoice from his office and if it is not paid, it will be put on the tax bill. He is receiving complaints and there are four Orders to Remedy as of this morning. Each time the property is mowed, the Board will have to vote again because each unpaid invoice will be a tax burden. His department has a procedure in place to handle this month-by-month; growth can't be over 12-inches.

Paladino remarked that he was surprised that the grass at Rite Aid on Route 9W is getting close to that, and Barton said that he will check it.

Barton reported that he has met with developers this month. Mountainside Woods is progressing and is trying to resolve drainage issues. Their engineer is working on it. He sent emails to the Town Board with the PRD language. The language was reviewed by Lewis DiStasi, attorney, and comments have been received from Bill Rohde, engineer; the comments will be incorporated. The joint meeting with the Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals will be June 23 at 5 PM; one of the items on the agenda will be the PRD language.

Paladino noted that both he and Hammond are unavailable as that is graduation night.

Barton also said that the time of the Planning Board Workshop has been changed from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM as it is easier for some of the members to attend at the later hour.

He added that there has been a request for a rezoning of property at Lumen Lane and Route 9W; homeowners that are going to be affected have been contacted to look at the proposed zoning map changes; he is asking them to make appoints to discuss the changes.

#### C. Highway – Frank Lombardi

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- D. Police – Chief David Ackert reported that it has been brought to his attention by members of the Police Department that the Town parks need signs posted as to the hours that the parks (Berean Park, Highland Landing and Johnson-Iorio at the Haviland Road entrance) are open. There has been an increase of people in the parks after dark. Supervisor asked if the signs should say ‘Closed Dusk to Dawn’ or ‘Open Dawn to Dusk’.
- Brennie suggested if the cost is not prohibitive, that cameras are installed at the Water and Sewer Departments, Tony Williams Park, and Transfer Station.
- Chief said his department needs the legal right to enforce that these people are not to be in the parks after dark.
- Litts suggested it should be ‘Dawn to Dusk’ with verbiage to state, ‘No Trespassing after Dark’.
- Hammond said that there used to be signs at Berean Park and Frank Alfonso, Recreation Director, said that he has signs on order for the parks.
- Chief explained that the Police radio system is now obsolete and will no longer be serviced; this includes the base station, every car radio and the portables. The supplier, New York Communications Company, Inc., has requested that he sign a contract and they will work with the department for the remainder of this year. The last page of the contract states that if the department kept all of the existing radios without adding or deleting radios, it would be a difference of \$686.00 per month. He is going to speak with them so that it does not take effect until January, 2012.
- Chief said that Ulster County Sheriff’s Department went through the same problem. There is no one to service these radios; this is the only company in the area.
- Supervisor noted that it is currently \$876.00 monthly and it is going to \$1562.00; he asked the difference in the leases.
- Chief answered that if the agreement is signed this year, they will give it to the department at this price; however, if it is not signed and the department is forced out when they recall the current radios and equipment, the amount to be paid is \$2252.00. He will talk with the sales department to determine the length of lease. He explained that the new radios and system was used for the grand opening of Walkway over the Hudson; they supplied all EMS, Fire, Medical and Police departments with the same radio.
- Hammond asked if the Town’s fire and ambulance use the system.
- Chief answered that they do use NYCOMCO equipment but he does not know the specific equipment used.
- Litts asked the date the decision has to be made to lock in the price and the length of the lease.
- Paladino asked if there would be a service agreement.
- Chief answered that it was 100% serviceable, 24/7.
- E. Recreation – Frank Alfonso reported that he would have a list of the SummerFun and lifeguard staff for approval for the next meeting. Supplies have been ordered and he has confirmed the six SummerFun field trips. All the paperwork for the concession stand, Berean Park swimming and the camp has been submitted to Ulster County. Andy Paccione, Water Department, confirmed that the water has been turned on at Tony Williams Park. He is looking forward to a successful season.
- He said that the grass is growing at Tony Williams Park and feels that the bare spots will fill in over time. Gen-Plus has installed the batting cage including the net, and will soon be in use.
- He received a quote from Copeland, Albany, NY on the basketball and tennis courts and is expecting another quote from Seal and Stripe from Poughkeepsie. The Seal and

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Stripe representative asked if prevailing wage would be required. His feels that if someone is willing to do a job for a specific amount of dollars he should be able to do it.

Supervisor said that his office would do some research on that issue; if it was an owner-operated, the prevailing wage does not apply but if there are employees, prevailing wage may have to be paid. This is required by New York State.

Alfonso noted that the gentleman from Copeland recommended that one post in the tennis courts has to be removed and replaced as there is the beginning of crack and there a couple of minor cracks that should be repaired on that court. That work should be done in this calendar year. The basketball court at TW Park should definitely be repaired next year. The courts where the pickleball courts will be lined have five, long, paving cracks. He has the quote from Copeland and is waiting to give the information needed by the man from Seal and Stripe so that he can quote the job. Both contractors repair the cracks in the same way so prices can be compared.

He had hoped to have the two pickleball courts ready by today; once he receives the price, the work can be done in the next few weeks. The repairs to the TW Park courts can be done in the fall. He estimated the basketball courts to be between \$4,000 and \$6,000; the tennis court between \$8,000 and \$11,000 to take care of the cracks and seal; he feels that it would be less expensive as it is a good surface and patching may suffice.

Alfonso feels that if the repairs are correctly made, the courts will be good for the next eight or nine years and he is concerned if repairs are not made the court may be condemned and useless.

Paladino asked when this was last done.

Alfonso replied that the tennis courts were done about 7 years ago and the basketball courts about 5 years ago. He added that all the courts are heavily used as long as the weather is nice; summer basketball games for high school players will be on Monday and Wednesday nights beginning next week.

Supervisor said that his office has developed short contracts for this type of project.

Hammond was asked if it was possible to have a bocce court at Tony Williams Park.

Alfonso answered the delay was completing the projects on the master plan and the Recreation Commission has been discussing installing a bocce court over the last months. The sites considered are between the garage and the playground or on the other side of the pavilion.

Hammond said that it is felt that this would be mostly geared to seniors and asked if it would be this year or next year.

Alfonso replied that it is moving forward and will be done by next year; he will bring it to the Recreation Commission again as this has been discussed.

Supervisor asked about the enrollment for SummerFun, noting that 1-2-3 Play is offering a summer camp and asked if Alfonso knew if St. Augustine was going forward with a summer camp.

Alfonso said that he sat in on a meeting about the St. Augustine camp and he did not believe that it will happen in summer 2011. He believes there are two different types of situations: (1) parents who drop them off for half a day; (2) parents that need a full day, daycare. Casperkill and other camps offered the full-day experience but still SummerFun numbers increased each year. The Town does not have the facility to do a full day but he felt that the SummerFun program could work with St. Augustine in the future and offer a full-day opportunity for eight weeks.

Hammond added that 1-2-3 Play is geared to a younger age group.

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Alfonso said that SummerFun is for kids who have completed kindergarten through the seventh grade; most of the older kids are going to the Sports camp and the younger to Arts and Crafts. Last year there were three buses to all five field trips; between 110 and 120 campers each week. The enrollment last year was the highest in the eleven years he has been involved.

Supervisor asked if everything was on the website and Alfonso answered that the information was there and the use form for the parks will be added so that it can be downloaded.

DiStasi offered that the Supervisor is supposed to set the prevailing wage in June of each year so that the prevailing rate is known when an applicable contract comes up.

Paladino believes that NYS raised the minimum requirement in June, 2010, from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

DiStasi concurred and said that the rates themselves are established locally by the Supervisor.

Supervisor said that capital projects over \$20,000 had to go out for formal bid and it is now over \$35,000; on a capital project, the prevailing wage is set for projects within Ulster County. He posed that the tennis court projects would be considered a service but he does not know the answer.

Alfonso said that he hopes that something can be approved so the work can be done in the next two weeks.

DiStasi cautioned that the Town has to go by the total if there are a lot of little projects.

Alfonso said that one would be at Tony Williams Park and one at Berean Park.

DiStasi agreed that would be a good way to split them.

- F. Town Clerk – Rosalie Peplow reported that today was the last day that taxes are collected in her office for 2011 and there were a lot of walk-ins yesterday; she will settle the tax warrant with the Commissioner of Finance later this month.

Supervisor asked the rationale for waiting until the last day and paying the accrued interest.

Peplow felt that the people do not have the money until then to pay the bill and some feel they don't want to pay the bill until they have to so.

Lewis DiStasi, attorney said that he read that after the census report is received, the Town will have more than 10,000 residents and will have to elect a Receiver of Taxes, who will collect the school, county and town taxes.

Peplow said that there is some variation on that as New Paltz has had a population of over 10,000 and does not have a Receiver of Taxes.

- G. Water – Andy Paccione reported he completed the annual report; Chris Sabatelli had it placed on the Town website and the Town Clerk had it published in a local newspaper and; it is also available at the Town Clerk's Office. Frank Palmateer and Bill VanKleeck completed the Distribution-License course. He said that at the suggestion of Hammond, he contacted Central Hudson about cheaper rates for usage during off-peak hours and was told that is not offered to municipalities.

Paccione reminded the Town Board that the Water Department was trying to find floor mats to eliminate walking on slippery floors; after testing several samples, they determined that the least expensive mat was the most effective for their use.

He said that the maintenance and cleaning of the motor control centers has not been done in years. He obtained quotes of \$900 from Ray Anderson, and \$2200.00 from Roemer Associates. This includes testing for hot spots and cleaning the contactors.

Hammond asked if the pricing was 'apple to apple' as there is a big discrepancy in the numbers.

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Paccione answered that it was comparable and added that he knows Ray Anderson and he has been helping the department with the centrifuge.

Paccione spoke to the Supervisor about purchasing the electronic meters and the Supervisor suggested providing the whole water district with the meters, if it works out well for the three streets that were originally in the plan.

Supervisor said that the Water Department has \$660,000 in unexpended accounts; money has been accumulated over the years to use for projects but no major projects have been done since John Jankiewicz, former Water and Sewer Administrator, died. It would cost \$280,000 for the whole Town. He spoke to Paccione to devise a system to do the job as most people work during the day and some of the work will have to be done nights or weekends so that the crew can access houses to install the meters.

Paccione feels that it will be a lot of research and added that any meter that has over 1,000,000 gallons will be replaced.

Litts asked if the age of the meter can be determined from the serial number on the side of the meter and Paccione answered that can be done in looking at the older meters.

Paccione added that he has been compiling ideas of how to conduct the changeover by asking other town water departments how they made the changeover. He agreed with the Supervisor to look at a sub-contractor to handle the changeover.

He added that Bill VanKleeck now has a pesticide applicator's license and he can now apply pesticide to the edges of the reservoirs. They should be received shortly, and the copper sulfite could be applied next week. There is a regulation now that the primary organic compounds and the synthetic organic compounds that allows sampling of up to four sources; the Town has six sources so they have to take two sets of samples from now on, which will be an added expense. All of the reservoirs are full and he feels that the department will get through June before there is a need to pump from the Hudson River.

**\*5:26 PM** - Brennie left the meeting.

H. Sewer – Adam Litman, Senior Sewer Plant Operator, reported the following:

During the month of May the contractors on site were Ackerman Plumbing; Alpha Concrete; Roundout Electric; Kingsley Arms and Morris Associates.

New primary tank~north side floor, walls influent and effluent chambers are finished; influent control valves and new header on first two sections of new tank installed.

New grit building excavation~floor drain and slab for grit wash system is finished.

New generator~conduit and slab, finished; generator will be set up in June.

The excavation and seal coating of exciting conduit into main control building is finished.

New retaining wall between RBC's and Maple Avenue started.

Sandblasting of steel in exciting RBC tanks is finished.

Delivery of first five RBC's is scheduled for June; road closures will be posted.

Running gear for new primaries and new sec. tanks to follow in June; north side of the plant is expected to be in operation by mid-August.

Sewer plant operations are continuing as normal.

April's BMW/DMR for the Sewer Plant and Zumtobel/Staff Lighting are finished; non-compliance letters for each facility were issued and contact was made with DEC.

Zumtobel/Staff Lighting~Dave Campala helped with maintenance flushing of under lines in beds to help with clogging and effluent ammonia problems that were the result of the large amounts of rain.

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Supervisor asked if Central Hudson determined that the gas service on Maple Avenue is adequate.

Litman answered that he has not heard from Central Hudson and felt that they would be contacting either the Supervisor or Morris Associates.

Supervisor asked how the grit is going to be removed from the floor to the truck to take it away.

Litman answered that he is still looking into that.

Litts asked how much grit is anticipated.

Litman replied that on the average 80 cubic yards per month has been removed and the old system is not working properly so a bit more is lost than what is actually claimed; the grit should be clean enough to be reclaimed, although there may be some odor.

Supervisor asked if the sludge could be given away.

Paccione replied that they had looked into using it for fertilizer but that was not possible due to the chemicals.

Litman agreed that they looked at several uses but none of them proved to work; they did tour the Kingston pellet plant but they had issues for accepting the sludge.

Discussion ensued as to methods that could be used to remove the sludge.

## **2. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Hudson Valley Rail Trail (not discussed)

B. Dutchess Community College Lease (not discussed)

C. Zoning Law Amendment

Barton said that the format of the adopted law will not be accepted by the NYS Secretary of State. The local law will have to be adopted again using a clean format without the additions and omissions delineated.

D. Highland Square (not discussed)

Litts reported that he and Paladino went to Mile Hill Road and met with Frank Lombardi, Highway Superintendent and Bill Rohde, Engineer. He explained that since the excavation of the bank, the natural ground water table is day-lighting out of the slope; the consensus is that some sort of stabilization is needed, most likely a wall system. The slope is not conducive to putting on a rock blanket as it is steep and close to the road. The wall will cost between \$60,000 and \$80,000. The wall consists of baskets of rocks.

Supervisor noted that the \$23,000 spent with Sun Up will use up the CHIPS money.

Litts said that Rohde estimated \$35,000 to do one basket of rocks; the wall will need to be made higher as it progresses down the slope.

Paladino felt that the original estimate was \$20,000 for 32 baskets, which was one row of baskets.

Supervisor asked if Sun Up is done with the work that they were to do; it is steeper than it should be for grass and mat.

Litts said that the day that he visited, the excavation was done but it was not seeded nor mulched; he feels that Lombardi told them not to do that work as it would be dug out.

## **3. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Sixteen Acres (not discussed)

B. Electronic Recycling (not discussed)

## **4. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

A. **MOTION** made by Hammond, seconded by Litts, to move the Regular Town Board meeting from July 13, 2011 at 7:00 PM to July 20, 2011 at 7:00 PM .

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**Four ayes carried.**

**B. RESOLUTION** made by Paladino, seconded by Litts, to approve the following budget amendments

**General Fund**

Historian	00-06-7510.40	+\$252.28
Town Hall	00-01-1620.40	-\$252.28

(Reimburse Historian line for work done on display shelves)

**Water Fund**

Transportation & Distribution CE	20-07-8340-20	+\$80,000.00
Unexpended Balance	20-770	-\$80,000.00

(Start to upgrade water meters)

**Sewer Fund**

Interfund Transfer	30-08-9902.90	+\$101,802.00
Unexpended Reserve	30-770	-\$101,802.00

(Follow up to resolution passed in May – from Maintenance Reserve from Vineyard Commons “gift”)

**Capital Fund**

Inflow & Infiltration Hillside Place	50-07-8361-40	+\$101,802.00
Transfer from Sewer Fund	50-2804	-\$101,802.00

(Follow up to resolution passed in May)

**Roll call:** Costantino, aye; Paladino, aye; Hammond, aye; Litts, aye.

Four ayes carried.

Supervisor asked Glenn Gidaly, Barton & Loguidice, to introduce his associates who will speak about the NYSDOT project to realign Tillson Avenue and Toc Drive, Thomas Baird, P.E and Daniel Rourke, P.E.

Thomas Baird explained that the project funding is Locally Designed Service Agreements Funding or Federal Aid Project Funding. It is funded 80% from the Federal government, 15% from NYS, and 5% contribution from the Town of Lloyd. The total project budget is \$3.9-million which includes preliminary design, right of way design, construction and inspection. The Town of Lloyd is responsible for \$196,000, NYS for \$600,000 and Federal for \$3.1-million of that amount,. It does not mean that all of the money will be spent but this is the money in the budget to finish the project.

The Federal aid process includes this public meeting, strict policies on acquisition of property, the type of approvals and everything has to be submitted to NYS and on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration, NYS reviews the project to make sure that it conforms to the policies, restrictions and stipulations for the funding. The FHA has been very strict on every detail in the contract to provide the funds. The Town has to front the money and apply for a reimbursement, to be received within thirty to forty-five days from NYS.

Barton & Loguidice has collected data and history of the site; preliminary design and project objectives have been determined. He indicated the current site using a projected picture on a screen and pointed out the issues and noted that a bike path is being considered. The main objective is to improve the site so that Tillson and Toc meet at a 4-way intersection. They looked at traffic growth over the next twenty years. The plan is to reduce the grade on Tillson Avenue, square the intersection with Toc and improve the friction surface, drainage and safety at the intersection. These improvements will provide green space which will lend space for a sign or a kiosk.

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Litts asked how much the grade will be lowered.

Baird replied that the preliminary vertical alignment would raise Vineyard Avenue (Rte 44/55) by 2 to 3 feet and grade reduction will begin at Smith Terrace, creating a retaining wall at the property and eliminating the driveway on the south side between Smith Terrace and Vineyard Avenue; the total would be about 6-feet.

Mark Reynolds, *Southern Ulster Times*, asked the current percentage of grade and the proposed percentage of grade.

Baird and Dan Rourke answered that going up from Vineyard Avenue to Smith Terrace, it is 11.7% and they are proposing to get it to 10%, which includes raising Vineyard Avenue; there won't be a loss of friction when turning wheels on a curve as the incline will be straight.

DiStasi asked if the Twaafskill will have plenty of room to pass under the bridge as it is now huge.

Baird said that FEMA and Flood Impact Study calls it a 'restriction'; what needs to be done is coordinate with the Army Corps of Engineers and provide a hydraulic study to show what it should be and make sure that it is a greater capacity than what is required. It will be much better than it is now.

Litts explained that if it is a restriction, narrow and tall, if the barrel is opened up, more water will fit through.

Baird said that it is going wider as they are dropping down the height and said that will be coordinated with the utilities. The water and sewer lines have to be relocated to the northern side of Tillson Avenue.

Gidaly noted that there are utilities on the roof of the bridge.

Hammond asked if Brescia Boulevard and Reservoir Road will have to be changed.

Baird responded that that it does go to Brescia Blvd. but at that point it is 3-inches to 6-inches.

Baird said that NYSDOT will have to be shown that a substantial improvement can be made in safety in order to get approval to raise the road, they; a compromise may be needed. It is required that a round-a-bout be considered and it was and that was dismissed quickly due to the grades and configuration of the intersection.

Rourke stated that he has been meeting with the utility companies and they would like the one pole at the intersection to remain where it is; however, the relocation of about a dozen poles will be required. He has also spoken with the Town consultant on the water and wastewater utilities and there does not appear to be a problem.

Baird added that the Town has an MS4 program in place and the drainage system on the road is going to be redesigned. They will look at ways to improve the quality of the water that goes into the Twaafskill; at a minimum, inline hydrodynamic separators will remove the sediment and grit.

Franco Zani asked how long the downtime will be when the water main is relocated.

Baird answered that there will be very little downtime as they will use a temporary by-pass.

Supervisor asked if the existing box culvert could remain in place.

Baird replied that it has been documented that it is inadequate so the Federal government said that it has to be changed. They have been in contact with NYS Historic Preservation Office, Parks and Recreation, and they have deemed that bridge to be not significant and there would not be an adverse impact to remove the stonework; however, they are sensitive to the esthetics of the stonework. It is quite beautiful and the owner of the Twaafskill Inn appreciates seeing it. The wall system they propose mimics the stonework, either form lined or actual stone outside of the concrete, as well as the walls on the road. This is not required but the Federal government can be convinced that this preserves the heritage of the site.



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There are three different options: Option No. C-1 is an 8-foot wide multi-use path on the north side with a 2-foot buffer strip in a contrasting color, two 12-foot travel lanes, and a 5-foot sidewalk to replace the sidewalk on the south side of Tillson Avenue. Option No. C-2 on Tillson is sidewalks on both sides with 14-foot lanes, which DOT considers a shared-use lane for bicyclists and motor vehicles. Option No. C-3 is one sidewalk on the south side of Tillson with a 14-foot wide shared lane. All three options satisfy the DOT requirements for pedestrians, bicycles and vehicles sharing the road; however, Option No C-1 provides the optimum.

Right-of-way acquisition strips 6-feet of a permanent easement will be needed for the utilities all along Tillson Avenue,. The property owner technically retains the property and is compensated at approximately 80% of the value of the property. This would also give the Town the right to have a sidewalk.

Their recommendation is Option No. C-1; he noted hardcore bicyclists (A's) will usually continue to ride in the road, the B riders and C riders (the youngest) will use the multi-use lane.

Zani asked the width of the present sidewalks on Tillson Avenue

Baird answered that they are between 3-feet and 4-feet; all of the options will require acquisition of right-of-ways and trees removed. The large trees will be replaced with smaller trees and shrubs, privacy issues can be addressed.

DiStasi said that he liked Option No. C-1 because of the multi-use path and he believes that there will be more bicyclists in the future and sidewalks don't allow for that because they are too narrow.

Reynolds asked if there were a significant cost differences.

Baird replied that C-1 is overall about 10% more than C-3, about \$200,000 extra.

Litts asked if that included the right-of-way purchases.

Baird replied that that the acquisition is separate and is not included in the construction costs as that is a different funding method. Federal guideline for right-of-way acquisition is that there can be no discussions with property owners about the dollars for the strips.

Baird explained the project is approved for the incidental process, identifying the properties that may have takings, getting appraisals, title searches and maps to show the piece of property. Once that gets approved, the property owner will be contacted and a meeting is set and an offer is made for the property.

Ralph Diaz concerned about a problem occurring if a tree goes down and is pushed through the culvert. He feels strongly that the bicyclists must be separated from the pedestrians because of the grade.

Baird agrees and said that the Twaafskill rents bicycles and it could be an attraction to access the multi-use path and the Rail Trail to the Walkway; it would be an asset to get a better connection from NYSDOT down into the Hamlet also.

**\*6:30 PM** – Paladino left the meeting

He said that the National Environmental Policy Act by the US Environmental Protection Agency guidelines have to be followed on all environmental impacts under that jurisdiction; the NYS environmental quality review (SEQR) process has to be done. Screenings for hazardous materials, endangered species, plants, wildlife has been done; there are no wetlands; a cultural resource study of the site has been done and they have already received a letter from Historic Preservation. They did not find any negative social or economic impacts for doing this project.

Regarding traffic control, they will keep the intersection open while constructing the new intersection and culvert; there will be a temporary driveway for the Twaafskill Inn; they

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will be using flagmen and do not anticipate using a temporary traffic light. A detour may be needed for three or four days for the final asphalt overlay and when the box culvert is dropped into place, they don't want anyone near the crane. They have not determined where or how the detour will work out, approval will be needed from DOT to detour traffic from a NYS road.

Litts asked if there would be a signal light.

Rourke answered that all of the existing traffic data has been analyzed. When the proposed developments become viable, they will be included in the analysis. There are eight warrants to justify a traffic signal, two of the warrants are justified; this does not mean that one needs to be put there but if engineering judgment from the studies decide that a signal would improve congestion, traffic flow and mobility, they would then suggest installation. They are holding off on proposing a signal as they await more information on the future developments. He explained that a study of traffic from a 4-hour period is a 4-hour warrant and a study from a 8-hour period is an 8-hour warrant. On a scale of A to F, as a whole the intersection operates as a C, the geometric improvements to the intersection alone will improve the traffic flow.

Baird added that Mountainside Woods project is being revamped and those numbers have to be considered however a decision does not have to be made right now.

The preliminary ideas have to be put into a design report and it is hoped to get this document approved by NYS so that the Town can sign off in October 2011; the funding states that construction cannot begin until November 2012; they are trying to get the money moved earlier. They are trying to get this project ready to go. In the event that another project in DOT Region 8 is delayed, this project can take advantage of that and move the money into an earlier time period.

Right now, the schedule is: Final Design, Fall 2012; Bid, Winter 2012; Construction, April 2013, Completed, November 2013; he is hoping that all dates will be moved up one year.

Supervisor said this began in 1999 and NYS was petitioned about the accidents and there were three times the amount of accidents for local streets. The Town was with Dutchess County TIP; they called for projects and Gidaly helped to write up the proposal. It was discovered that sidewalks could be funded on a street between two federally funded highways. When the projects were ranked, three bridges in Poughkeepsie took priority; this project floated to the top because of the report of the accidents. It is a unanimous decision of the members. He was prompted to move forward with this due to the death of the motorcyclist. He recalled that Hammond attended the TIP meetings every month and represented the Town.

Reynolds asked where Lloyd is going to get their share.

Supervisor replied that the Town will get that as a mitigation measure on traffic impact from Mountainside Woods.

Baird said that the new intersection would also be a benefit to the developer.

Supervisor said that letters will be sent out to all Tillson Avenue, some Vineyard Avenue and some Route 9W property owners, regarding another informational meeting so that there is total disclosure and to make sure that comments are received.

**MOTION** made by Litts, seconded by Hammond, to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM

**Three ayes carried.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosaria Schiavone Peplow  
Town Clerk