## VILLAGE OF TARRYTOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015 Tarrytown Village Hall One Depot Plaza, Tarrytown, New York

## Amended - March 10, 2015

Presentation - Scenic Hudson - Trails Evaluation

**Board of Trustees Concerns** 

## Open Session

- 1. Wilson Park Property
- 2. New NY Bridge Community Benefits Program
- 3. Proposed Driveway and Curb Cut 59 Church Street
- 4. Deputy Fire Chiefs Vehicle
- 5. SEQRA RiverWalk Extension Losee Park
- 6. Resolution Westchester County CHIIP Program
- 7. Tree Work Neperan Road
- 8. Creation of Micro Grid
- 9. Metro North Substation Construction
- 10. Amended SEQRA Loh Park Flood Mitigation Project
- 11. Home Rule Request Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax

## Adoption of Home Rule Request

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution on February 1, 2010 supporting the concept of the adoption of state legislation to impose a room "occupancy tax" on persons occupying any hotel or motel for hire in the Village; and

WHEREAS, the February 1, 2010 resolution supported such a room "occupancy tax" in all Villages in the Town of Greenburgh as well as the unincorporated portion of the Town of Greenburgh; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, legislation was sponsored to permit, at local option, the imposition of a room "occupancy tax" for hotels and motels in the Town of Greenburgh, the six Villages in the Town and the Village of Sleepy Hollow; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the said legislation, the Board of Trustees adopted a Home Rule Request on February 6, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees adopted a second Home Rule Request on June 12, 2013 in response to proposed legislation to permit, at local option, the imposition of a room "occupancy tax" for hotels and motels in the Town of Greenburgh, the six Villages in the Town and the Village of Sleepy Hollow

WHEREAS, the Village has been made aware that there is new Hotel Occupancy Tax legislation that will be coming to the floor of the Assembly (A922).; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Tarrytown is supportive of the adoption of Hotel Occupancy Tax legislation entitled, "AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to authorizing the town of Greenburgh to adopt a local law to impose a hotel/motel occupancy tax for hotels not located in a village; authorizing specified villages in the towns of Greenburgh and Mount Pleasant to adopt a local law to impose a hotel/motel occupancy tax in such villages; and

WHEREAS, since the Village does not have the authority to enact such legislation by local law, the Village must request that the State act on the matter through the adoption of a Home Rule Request; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Request states in the portion of the document marked "Explanation" the following:

Municipalities are very limited in the establishment of additional non-property tax revenue sources. Numerous municipalities in Westchester County have been enabled, via state legislation, to adopt at local option a hotel/motel occupancy tax. These municipalities have been provided an additional source of revenue to fund basic services to keep their communities safe and properly serviced. This legislation will assist the Town of Greenburgh and its Villages and the Village of Sleepy Hollow in the Town of Mount Pleasant to fund

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby adopt a Home Rule Request asking the state legislature to adopt Assembly Bill No. A992 entitled "An Act to amend the tax law, in relation to authorizing the town of Greenburgh to adopt a local law to impose a hotel/motel occupancy tax for hotels not located in a Village; authorizing specified villages in the towns of Greenburgh and Mount Pleasant to adopt local laws to impose a hotel/motel occupancy tax in such Villages.