

ULSTER TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP
AUGUST 6, 2007 AT 7:00 PM

CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR WOERNER, CHAIRMAN

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL BY CLERK

TOWN COUNCILMAN CRAIG ARTIST
TOWN COUNCILMAN DAVID BRINK
TOWN COUNCILMAN JOEL B. BRINK
TOWN COUNCILMAN ROCCO SECRETO
SUPERVISOR NICKY B. WOERNER

Town Budget Process

Supervisor Woerner reported that the town budget process has begun. Budget request packages were sent out to Department Heads. They are to fill them out and return them to his office by August 24, 2007. He will then review them and formulate a budget. That will be filed with the Town Clerk's Office. Then it will be distributed to all the Town Board Members to review and amend as they see fit. He estimates it will take one to two weeks for him to compose his tentative budget.

Councilman Joel B. Brink requested that the department head packages be made available for the town board to inspect before the main budget.

Supervisor Woerner stated he has no problem. He will place them in his files and the Board Members can copy what they want.

Setting the Indigent Burial Rate for the Town of Ulster equal to the County.

Supervisor Woerner reported that Ulster County has requested that the Town raise its indigent burial rate from \$1,000 to \$1,800 to match the County's rate. The cost increase will be \$1,600 for this year as there were two indigent burials.

There was a general discussion about the surrounding area rates and the safety net program covering other municipalities.

Councilman Secreto motioned to adjust the Town's indigent burial rate to be set at \$1,800.00 to match the County's rate

2nd by Councilman David Brink

A Roll Call Vote was taken – 4 Ayes – Supervisor Woerner abstained due to his association with the funeral home business and him seeking a mortician license.

Resolutions: Setting a public hearing for the San El Dorado LLC. (1987 Ulster Avenue)

Supervisor Woerner motioned to set a public hearing for August 20, 2007 at 7:45 PM for San El Dorado LLC at 1987 Ulster Avenue.

2nd by Councilman Artist

All Ayes

Granting Conditional Site Plan Approval for the Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union on Rt. 9W.

Councilman David Brink moved to approve the following:

SITE PLAN APPROVAL - Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union – Section 39.82, Block 2, Lot 13, 14.1

WHEREAS, the Planning Board, its Consultant Planner and Engineers have reviewed the site plan application submitted by the Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union to construct a new 5,872 square foot bank branch along with forty-four (44) parking spaces and a drive-up teller island; and

WHEREAS, based upon their review, the applicants have made revisions to the proposed site plan that have addressed the technical issues raised through the site plan review process to the satisfaction of the Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2007 the Town of Ulster Planning Board referred the site plan application for the Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union to the Town Board recommending approval with the conditions that the applicant enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town to install sidewalks along Route 9W in accordance with a future Ulster Sidewalk Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, held a hearing on June 18th for the proposed project, and

WHEREAS, after the close of the public hearing, the Town Board, at its June 18th meeting, requested that the applicant provide additional information pertaining to the proposed easement and requested that it be approved by the Town Attorney prior to granting site plan approval; and

WHEREAS, HVFCU has agreed to provide either an amended site plan containing cross-easement notes satisfactory to the Town Attorney or, in the alternative, at the Town's request to convey the land designated on the site plan as the "fifty foot easement" to the Town; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board has determined that they have complied fully with the procedural requirements of Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA);

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that upon full consideration of the above, the Town Board hereby recommends approval of the site plan application by Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union subject to the following conditions: that at the completion of construction, no Certificate of Occupancy shall be issued until:

- 1) The applicant files an amended site plan containing cross-easement notes satisfactory to the Town Attorney or, in the alternative or;

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- 2) At the Town's request to convey the land designated on the site plan as the 50' wide easement for future ingress and egress to the Town and in addition thereto;
- 3) The applicant enters into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town to install sidewalks along Route 9W in accordance with a future Town Sidewalk Plan.

2nd by Councilman Joel B. Brink
All Ayes

Approving Assessment Settlement of United Parcel Service.

Supervisor Woerner tabled the matter until the Town Assessor could be present to explain the assessment settlement

Supervisor Woerner motioned to waive the fees for use of the town park for the Town of Ulster Kiwanis for August 20, 2007.

2nd by Councilman Artist
All Ayes

Mr. Richard Metzger asked if Boices Lane is going to be expanded. Legislator Mike Berardi stated what is going to be performed to improve the area, but no expansion is planned. Mr. Metzger requested that the sidewalks installed in the town not include the grass strips be included along the roadside because they are not maintained well.

Councilman Artist motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM
2nd by Councilman Joel B. Brink
All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted by
Jason Cosenza, RMC FHCO
Ulster Town Clerk