

ULSTER TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING  
JULY 31, 2015 at 10:00 AM

**CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR QUIGLEY, CHAIRMAN at 10:00 AM**

**THE SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**ROLL CALL BY CLERK**

TOWN COUNCILMAN JOEL B. BRINK  
TOWN COUNCILMAN ERIC KITCHEN  
TOWN COUNCILMAN JOHN MORROW  
TOWN COUNCILMAN ROCCO SECRETO  
SUPERVISOR JAMES QUIGLEY 3<sup>rd</sup>

**NEW BUSINESS**

Special Meeting of the Town Board for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing to satisfy the requirements of a Consolidated Funding Application to the State of New York.

**Supervisor Quigley made a brief statement prior to the opening of the Public Hearing.**

Approximately 6 weeks ago the County Executives' Office thru Mr. Doyle of the Ulster County Planning Board reached out to the Town Supervisors' Office and offered assistance to solve a longstanding problem with one of our important employers and a critical neighborhood in our community; that being for the construction of a new road.

During the last six weeks, thru the efforts of both the County and the Town, we have made efforts to identify funding sources in the CFA Program. This Application, that was contemplated when we called for this Public Hearing, was thru the Small Cities Program. The Town has a strong relationship with this program; however those projects have been unique in that they have been Water, Sewer or Storm Water Projects.

The proposed project for Anaconda Lane, is a multi-faceted project that would include water, sewer, roadway and components of economic development; which was a difficult fit for the CFA Program.

At this point in time, this meeting is designed to serve as the basis of a future CFA Application, not a CFA Application that has to be filed by 5 o'clock tonight.

There has been a tremendous amount of community outreach from the residents of the Glenerie District and those comments will be read into the record, and I expect there are individuals here that are waiting to speak to be included in the project. The original project contemplated may grow and we will use the time between now and the next CFA Grant date as an appropriate planning time to try to expand the project if possible.

**Motion to Open the Public Hearing by Councilman Kitchen at 10:03AM;  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Brink.**

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

**All those wishing to speak, please come to the podium, state your name, address for the record, and keep your statements brief to allow everyone a chance to speak.**

**Joanne Powers, Property Owner and member of Glenerie Lake Park Association**

Ms. Powers spoke in support of the proposal to extend the road and include Glenerie Boulevard. She also spoke of the problems with stopped trains, long trains, track maintenance closing the road down and the concerns this causes the residents. These issues have caused delays in emergency responders coming in, and residents getting out, in an emergency.  
(See attached letter)

Supervisor Quigley asked about the closing of the roadway at the grade crossing as an option. She will check with residents.

**Les Lombardi – resident of Kingston; employee of Lids Team Sports (formerly Anaconda)**

He waited 14 minutes for a train this morning which backed up traffic past VanKleeks.

He is concerned, as are emergency responders that in a medical emergency, a delay from a train could be life-threatening. Seven years ago, he experienced this first hand, and the fear was in a delay caused by a possible train either in coming in to give medical aid, or in transport out to the hospital. That is the only entrance in or exit out of the facility. On behalf of the employees, which now number 103, and the residents which have shared their concerns, this warrants the extension of Anaconda Drive.

Lids Team Sports in Lake Katrine is home to the National Accounts Receivable Department, and has increased sales positions, which has increased traffic going in and out of the facility. International Import is done from this facility and he would like to see it stay in Lake Katrine.

Supervisor Quigley would like the record to reflect the Mr. Lombardi was his 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Homeroom teacher.

**Roger Yetzer – Glenerie Boulevard**

Would like to go on record as stating he supports the road and plans, and would like to reiterate the concerns of the other speakers as valid problems.

**David Brink – Neighborhood Rd. Lake Katrine**

Mr. Brink is in favor of this proposed road, although he is not directly affected by it. His questions concern the sewer lines and, according to the map of the properties involved; there is a 16 acre tract which the road would cross. That property would be able to be subdivided and the owner would benefit from this construction. He asks that the property owner be responsible for the installation and payment of sidewalks if this proposal goes forward. He asks that the Town Board consider this moving forward.

Neighborhood Road traffic would increase if this road is constructed, and he would like to see the intersection of Leggs Mill and Neighborhood Roads be improved upon, for the safety of all.

The sewer district boundary is a substantial distance from the commercial property developed in the back. There is no connection to the town sewer district (that he knows of), and this needs to be considered. The Town has been adamant about the need to extend the sewer district.

He asks that the Town Board consider all of the above.

**Charlotte Moore – Katrine Lane, Lake Katrine**

Ms. Moore expressed her support of this proposed road. She has been listening to (about) the sewer line coming into Anaconda. If you make a left turn you can come down Katrine Lane with it, is that in your thought process? Supervisor Quigley responded that since she is raising the question, it will be considered going forward.

She further asked if it's a definite proposal and was told that it will not be in the current round of funding as more time is needed to find where the application would fit with all the requests being made today.

**Ms. Powers**, about closing the one entrance coming in to Glenerie Boulevard; the people who live on the east side of the Boulevard have access to the lake. If this road is closed, those residents would have to go all the way around to get to the other side. They would be cut off from easy access to the lake. Please consider this.

## COMMUNICATIONS

**A letter from Bob Lewis was read in to the record. It is included in its' entirety at the end of the minutes.**

In short, he believes it to be an excellent proposal but it needs to be extended.

**A letter from Dolores Maisch of Glenerie Boulevard was read in to the record. It is included in its' entirety at the end of the minutes.**

She asks also that it be extended.

**A letter from Jim Albrecht of Glenerie Boulevard was read in to the record. It is included in its' entirety at the end of the minutes.**

He is also requesting the new road be extended and voiced his concerns about the train crossing and emergency issues.

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

### **Dennis Doyle – Planning Director and Director of the Ulster County Transportation Council**

Mr. Doyle would like to commend the Town for its reaction and the help of the Supervisor with respect to the reach-out from the County Execs' Office to get this grant moving. A significant amount of work has been done to try to understand how we could provide the funding for this project, however we have not found the bucket that fits this project. We have met with businesses, and have done work on other eligibility factors including low and moderate income. We are looking forward to working on this in the coming year in for the next CFA application or Shovel Ready Programs. Other programs available will also be reviewed.

Mr. Doyle understands the traffic situations and the concerns of the Glenerie residents and with the train. They have a good working relation with CSX in terms of work that gets done.

As Transportation Council Director, they can possibly provide safety money for roadway closings under Federal Programs.

**Councilman Brink** added that there is a hazard for children getting the school bus as they may dart across the train crossing, and he would like to put in the record that this road is necessary.

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**Motion to close the Public Hearing by Councilman Secreto at 10:30 AM;  
2nd by Councilman Brink**

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

**Supervisor Quigley thanked everyone for coming out and voicing their opinions.**

Councilman Brink motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 AM;  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Secreto

Town Councilman Brink	- Aye
Town Councilman Kitchen	- Aye
Town Councilman Secreto	- Aye
Town Councilman Morrow	- Aye
Supervisor Quigley	- Aye

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted by  
Linda A. McDonough  
Ulster Town Clerk