

Regular Meeting
February 25, 2009
7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Thompson
Town Clerk Mevec
Councilperson Miranda
Councilperson Blaisdell
Councilperson Saul
Town Attorney Craig
Highway Supt. Forbes
Town Engineer Robinson
Comptroller

Absent: Hollis F. Blodgett - Illness

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Thompson.

Pledge by Councilwoman Saul.

Motion by Blaisdell seconded by Saul to approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 17, 2008.
Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Blaisdell to approve Minutes of Special Meeting of January 2, 2009.
Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Saul seconded by Blaisdell to approve Minutes of Special Meeting of February 9, 2009.
Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Presentation by Michelle Olick of Marvin & Company Community Revitalization housing and community development grant programs.

Discussion on Resolution Authorizing the Town of Milton to Apply for a New York State Home Grant for Funding for Rehabilitation of Housing for Low Income Families in the Town of Milton and Authorizing the Appointment of Marvin & Company as its Agent to Pursue Said Grant.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Blaisdell to table appointing Marvin & Company to pursue New York State Home Grant for Funding for Rehabilitation of Housing for Low Income Families.
Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Resolution #5 introduced by Miranda seconded by Saul Encouraging Preparation of Joint Management Plan for the Woods Hollow Nature Preserve and the Corcoran Property, Endorsing the Concept on an Inter-municipal Management of Contiguous Open Spaces, and Authorizing Saratoga P.L.A.N. to apply to the Land Trust Alliance for Planning Assistance as follows:

**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING PREPARATION OF A JOINT
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE WOODS HOLLOW NATURE PRESERVE AND
THE CORCORAN PROPERTY, ENDORSING THE CONCEPT ON AN
INTERMUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT OF CONTIGUOUS OPEN SPACES, AND
AUTHORIZING SARATOGA P.L.A.N.0 TO APPLY TO THE LAND TRUST
ALLIANCE FOR PLANNING ASSISTANCE**

WHEREAS, the “Woods Hollow Nature Preserve” is a 130 acre preserve and park within the Town of Milton and owned by the Village of Ballston Spa, and

WHEREAS, the “Woods Hollow Nature Preserve” is contiguous with 46.11 acres of open lands commonly known as Corcoran Property and located in and owned by the City of Saratoga Springs and

WHEREAS, these two regionally important adjoining public open lands would best managed by complimentary development as a unified whole for joint usage by their residents, and

WHEREAS, said complimentary development would be best guided by a collaboration between the Village of Ballston Spa, the Town of Milton and the City of Saratoga Springs, and

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WHEREAS, this Town Board finds and declares that it is in the public interest to collaborate with the Village of Ballston Spa and the City of Saratoga Springs to cause an unified, inter-municipal management and usage plan to be prepared, and

WHEREAS, Conservation Partnership Program funds are potentially available through the Land Trust Alliance to prepare an inter-municipal management plan for these important public open lands, and

WHEREAS, Conservation Partnership Program funds are only available to accredited land trusts, and

WHEREAS, Saratoga P.L.A.N. is the land trust for the Saratoga Region with experience in preserve creation and management, and

WHEREAS, upon receiving appropriate resolutions of support, said Saratoga P. L. A. N. will apply, pro bono, to the Land Trust Alliance for Conservation Partnership Program assistance to prepare such a collaborative management plan, and

WHEREAS, Saratoga P.L.A.N. has offered to serve as project coordinator for preparation of unified, inter-municipal management plan for the Corcoran Property and the Woods Hollow Nature Preserve, and

WHEREAS, the total grant assistance available to support the preparation of such a joint management plan is anticipated to be up to \$24,000, with a 25 percent, or up to \$6,000 matching share, to be paid solely by the City of Saratoga Springs, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this Town Board endorses the concept of participating in an inter-municipal initiative to jointly manage for the public benefit the Corcoran Property and the Woods Hollow Preserve, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Town Board hereby authorizes Saratoga P.L.A.N. to make application to the Land Trust Alliance for assistance to prepare a joint management plan for said properties, and be it further

RESOLVED, that any and all work programs, inter-municipal agreements, contracts, authorization for matching funds, in-kind contributions or other elements, if any, which may be required may only be approved by further subsequent action of this Town Board, and be it further

RESOLVED, that passage of this Resolution will not interfere with any existing ownership or management rights of the Village of Ballston Spa and the Town of Milton with respect to the Woods Hollow Preserve.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Saul to authorize Mary Ann Becker and Brenda Howe to attend Basic Valuation Courses for Assessors March 16 – 20 and April 13 – 17, 2009 at a cost of \$1,510.00 plus mileage. \$700 to be reimbursed by NYS.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Resolution #6 introduced by Saul seconded by Blaisdell authorizing budget transfers as requested by the Comptroller as follows:

From	To	Amount
A-1990.4	A-1110.104	\$1,900.00
A-1990.4	A-1110.4	260.00
A9050.8	A-9055.8	143.00
B-1990.4	B-8020.4	1,000.00
DA-9060.8	DA-9060.8	77.00

Total \$3,380.00

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Saul seconded by Blaisdell to approve the request of Russell Nowhitney to carry over 40 hours of vacation time to next year.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

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Resolutions #7 introduced by Miranda seconded by Saul for Dedication of Town of Milton Highways and/or Roadways - Oakwood Court, Barrett Creek Estates and Storm Water Detention Area as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 7, 2009

RESOLUTION FOR DEDICATION OF TOWN OF MILTON HIGHWAYS AND/OR ROADWAYS, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS OAKWOOD COURT, BARRETT CREEK ESTATES AND STORM WATER DETENTION AREA

WHEREAS, BROKEN BRANCH PROPERTIES, INC., have offered to cede to the Town of Milton roadways and/or portions of roadways and water detention area; and

WHEREAS, said items have been reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer and the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, THE Town Highway Superintendent has approved of the acceptance by the Town of said roadways and/or portions of roadways and water detention area; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following offer of cession be granted, and that the following roadways and/or portions of roadways and Storm Water detention area be accepted by the Town for dedication and that the Consents of the Town Board Members to said dedication for the following offers of cession is hereby given and acknowledged:

Oakwood Court, Barrett Creek Estates

as more particularly described on copy of the proffered deeds annexed hereto.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #8 introduced by Saul seconded by Miranda for dedication of Wyndham Way and Easement as follows:

RESOLUTION FOR DEDICATION OF TOWN OF MILTON HIGHWAYS AND/OR ROADWAYS, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS WYNDHAM WAY AND EASEMENT

WHEREAS, T & B ASSOCIATES, have offered to cede to the Town of Milton roadways and/or portions of roadways and easements; and

WHEREAS, said items have been reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer and the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has approved of the acceptance by the Town of said roadways and/or portions of roadways and easements; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following offer of cession be granted, and that the following roadways and/or portions of roadways and easements be accepted by the Town for dedication and that the Consents of the Town Board Members to said dedication for the following offers of cession is hereby given and acknowledged:

Wyndham Way, along with a Storm Water Management area

And utility easement with a portion of Lot Nos. 8 and 10

Wyndham Way.

as more particularly described on copy of the proffered deeds annexed hereto.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #9 introduced by Miranda seconded by Saul for dedication of Oak Lane and Berkshire Drive and certain Water Detention Areas as follows:

RESOLUTION FOR DEDICATION OF TOWN OF MILTON HIGHWAYS AND/OR ROADWAYS, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS OAK LANE AND BERKSHIRE DRIVE AND CERTAIN WATER DETENTION AREAS.

WHEREAS, T & B ASSOCIATES, have offered to cede to the Town of Milton roadways and/or portions of roadways and water detention areas; and

WHEREAS, said items have been reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer and the Town Attorney; and

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WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has recommended and approved of the acceptance by the Town of said roadways and/or portions of roadways and detention areas; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following offer of cession be granted, and that the following roadways and/or portions of roadways and detention areas be accepted by the Town for dedication and that the consents of the Town Board Members to said dedication for the following offers of cession is hereby given and acknowledged:

Oak Lane and Berkshire Drive; and detention area
as more particularly described on a copy of the proffered deed(s) annexed hereto.
Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #10 introduced by Saul seconded by Miranda for dedication of Angler's Place, Creekside Drive (South), Creekside Drive (North), and River Rock Drive and Storm Drainage Easement as follows:

RESOLUTION FOR DEDICATION OF TOWN OF MILTON HIGHWAYS AND/OR ROADWAYS, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS ANGLER'S PLACE, CREEKSIDE DRIVE (SOUTH), CREEKSIDE DRIVE (NORTH), AND RIVER ROCK DRIVE, AND STORM DRAINAGE EASEMENT

WHEREAS, ROCK CITY ROAD DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC, have offered to cede to the Town of Milton roadways and/or portions of roadways and easements; and

WHEREAS, said items have been reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer and the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has approved of the acceptance by the Town of said roadways and/or portions of roadways; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following offer of cession be granted, and that the following roadways and/or portions of roadways and easements be accepted by the Town for dedication and that the Consents of the Town Board Members to said dedication for the following offers of cession is hereby given and acknowledged;

Angler's Place, Creekside Drive (South),
Creekside Drive (North), and River Rock Drive
as more particularly described on copy of the proffered deeds annexed hereto.
Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Blaisdell to reduce the bond requirement for Creekside Park Subdivision to \$360,000.00 upon recommendation of Highway Supt., Town Engineer and Town Attorney.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Blaisdell to reduce the bond requirement for the Backstop Subdivision to \$100,000.00 upon recommendation of Highway Supt., Town Engineer and Town Attorney.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Reports

Town Clerk Report read by Town Clerk & filed.
Records Management read by Town Clerk & filed.
Building Department Report filed.
Enforcement Report filed.
Highway Department read & filed.
Zoning Board of Appeals by Saul.
Planning Board by Blaisdell.
Justice Calderon Report filed.
Justice Thomas Report filed.
Comptroller Report filed.
Historian read by Royann Blodgett.

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Historian Blodgett recommended that the Town Board appoint a committee to develop a display with a transportation focus at the Saratoga County Fair for the Quadricentennial celebrations.

Motion by Miranda seconded by Saul to go to Public Comments

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Public Comments

The following people spoke during public comments: John Olenik; Tom Boghosian; Bruce Boghosian; and Mary Ann Morgan.

Motion by Saul seconded by Blaisdell there being no further business to adjourn.

Miranda – yes; Saul - yes Blaisdell – yes; Thompson – yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Mevec
Town Clerk