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September 2010 Town Board Minutes Summary

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville was held on the 9th day of September, 2010 at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY.

KENNETH MCCULLOCH: The Town Board had a moment of silence in memory of Kenneth McCulloch who passed away recently. Ken was an employee of the Highway Department for over ten years and a volunteer member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for many years.

The meeting was convened by Supervisor Dermody and the roll was called with the following results:

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Marie Dermody, Councilwoman Marion Cooke, Councilwoman Dale Dorner, Councilman John Kudlack, Town Clerk Kathleen A. Hallenbeck, Attorney Joseph Catalano

ABSENT: Councilman Gary Chase
Also present were Superintendent Gary Zeh and 43 interested citizens.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

- Jane Hershey mentioned that if the Town Board put up a rope or chain going in to the stone pile location perhaps it would deter people from taking the stone and sand.
- Ms. Hershey read portion of her letter to the Town Board concerning the old building that was taken down in Potter Hollow. (Letter is on file in the Town Clerk's office)

MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on August 12, 2010 and the Work meeting held on August 10, 2010; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack.

Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)

TRANSFERS: A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to make the following transfers;

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
General Fund		
Contingency -A1990.4	Attorney -A1420.4	\$468.00
	Purchased law books with the Town Judges.	
Contingency - A1990.4	Data Processing	700.00
	Data processing charges for the current month.	
Supt Highway - A5010.2	Supt Highway - A5010.4	18.00
	Travel Expense for Highway Superintendent.	
Contingency - A1990.4	Program for Aging - A7610.4	40.00
	Current charges for the month.	
Workers Comp - A9040.8	Disability - A9055.8	270.00
	Disability insurance increase based on audit by carrier.	

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*Library Bookmark**What's New?*

The Rensselaerville Library has been awarded a **Books for Children grant** from the Libri Foundation. This grant provides the library with about \$1,400 worth of new books to update the children's collection. The Friends of the Library raised the required financial match from the proceeds of the very successful Art Auction held in September. On behalf of the library staff and board, we would like to thank the Friends of the Library for their help and hard work in achieving this grant. Without the Books for Children grant updating the children's collection may not have otherwise been accomplished.



International Gaming Day: Celebrate International Gaming Day with us at the Library on **November 13** – bring a friend and play! Check the library's website for more details.

November Film Series will be on the Third Weekend at Conkling Hall:
Friday, November 19 at 6:30P.M. - *How to Train Your Dragon*. Runtime: 98 min. Rated PG.

Saturday, November 20 at 7:00P.M. - *The Girl Who Played With Fire*. Runtime: 129 min. Rated R.

Saturday Story Time - November 20 @ 11am - Puzzles and Riddles

Upcoming Fine Amnesty Week: Do you have overdue Rensselaerville Library books, movies, magazines? **November 19-30 is Fine Amnesty***! In order to qualify, you **must** bring in nonperishable items for the Hilltown Resource Center. So dig through the closets, drawers, and bookcases for those overdue library items and bring them back to the Library. *Cannot be applied to missing or damaged items.

Library Greenery Sale - It's that time of year again! Stop by the Library's Annual Greenery Sale on **December 11 from 10A.M.-2P.M.** Wreaths and trees will be available for purchase along festive Main Street. Find the perfect gift for someone inside the Library, where local craft persons will peddle their wares. If you are interested in being a vendor at the Greenery Sale, please contact David Weiss (239-6825) by November 23 or visit the library web site for more information.

Employment Opportunity - Handy Person: The Rensselaerville Library is looking for an "On Call" Handy Person for maintenance tasks or for evaluating unforeseen emergencies arising throughout the year. This position is non-exclusive and, depending on availability, may consist of a number of persons wishing to be on the call list. The Library would prefer applicants who are available during the regular hours of library operation. The Library hours are Tuesday and Wednesday 10am -Noon, Tuesday-Friday 4pm-9pm and Saturday 9am-1pm. Please mail or drop off a letter of interest, how best to contact you, your area of expertise and salary requirements to the Rensselaerville Library, ATTN: Handy Person Position, PO Box 188, Rensselaerville, NY 12147.

Holiday Closings: The Library will be closed on **Thursday, November 25** for Thanksgiving and **Saturday, December 25** for Christmas.

Are you starting your Holiday Shopping? Have you considered a Library tote bag, note cards or ornament? Stop into the library and check out our gift shop.

The next **Library Board meeting** is on **Monday, November 15th at 7:00P.M.**

Library Hours:

Tuesday &

Wednesday:

10:00 AM to Noon,

4:00-9:00 PM

Thursday & Friday:

4:00-9:00 PM

Saturday:

9:00-1:00 PM

rensselaervillelibrary.org

Staff:

Kim Graff,
Director

Katie Caprio,
Library Technician

Applications for Food Stamps and Medicaid can be made at the Hilltown Community Resource Center. Please call the Center at 797-5256 for detailed information.

Conkling Hall—What's On In November

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13: ALL-GIRL CAJUN BAND AND CAPTAIN SQUEEZE AND THE ZYDECO MOSHERS. Traditional Louisiana Dance Music. Dance lessons for both styles of music. Admission \$15. Food, beer, and wine will be available. Doors open at 7:00 PM, Music begins at 7:30 PM. Our Moshers will present NOUVEAU ZYDECO MUSIC.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19: Friday night children's movie. Sponsored by the Rensselaerville Library. 6:30 PM. ADMISSION \$1.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20: Saturday Night Movie for Grownups. The next Steig Larsson book in movie form "THE GIRL WHO PLAYED WITH FIRE". 7:00 PM. ADMISSION \$2.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27: Conkling Hall Annual Craft Fair. Your opportunity for unique gifts for the holidays. 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM.

PILATES: Saturdays 9 - 10 AM Mat Class. Strengthen your abdominals, gain long, lean muscles and work with good alignment. Appropriate for all levels.

YOGA: Tuesdays 9 - 10:15 AM . Move, breathe and relax. Good for what ails you. Open to all. Please call Sarah Nelson Weiss at 239 6825 for more information.

You can contact Conkling Hall at 518-797-3459 or read our website at www.ConklingHall.org. We send frequent email announcements/reminders about our events. If you wish to be added to the list, please give us your email address at ConklingHall@earthlink.net.

FRIDAY NIGHT COFFEE HOUSE? Are you a musician? A music lover? Would you be interested in organizing a monthly coffee house at Conkling Hall? Contact musicians? Oversee the event? Conkling Hall will provide the coffee and treats. Please call the Hall: 518 797 3459 and let us know.



Methodist Hill Road
Rensselaerville, NY
(518) 797- 3459

Fall Feast Senior Luncheon

*Conkling Hall
Wednesday ~ November 7, 2010
12 noon
\$5 per person*

Bring your appetite & a dessert to share

*Food supplied by David Vogel
Cooking by Cheryl Rudolph & Lacy Vogel*

Senior Corner

Need Information? Elder Source Line (447-7177) has information about Senior Services to help in a variety of ways. Call between 8:30AM-12:30PM Monday through Friday. Call for free assistance with housing options, insurance counseling, benefits and entitlements, community resources, adult daycare, and caregiver options. This program is funded by United Way of Northeastern New York and Senior Services of Albany Foundation.

Senior Citizens Club: We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at the Medusa Firehouse at noon. \$1.00 is collected. ALL senior citizens are invited to join the club. Please bring a covered dish to share and/or dessert. Members need to bring their own plates and utensils. Coffee is provided.

Senior Van: Tuesday: Bryant's Center, Greenville Thursday: Cobleskill (Wal-Mart) Monday, Wednesday and Friday: Van is available to travel to doctor appointments. Call Ann Vogel at 797-3376 regarding scheduling and/or arranging for van pick up.

Helderberg Senior Services: Lunches are served Monday through Friday at noon for \$3.75. A one-day advance reservation would be appreciated and can be made by calling Marie at 797-3652 between 9:00AM-1:00PM for information and reservations.

We need volunteer drivers!!!! If you have a valid driver's license and could volunteer a couple hours of your time now and then, it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Kathy Hallenbeck, Town Clerk, for more details.

ONLY 56 SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL...

SUPPORT FOR SENIORS AND FAMILY SPONSORS SOUGHT FOR HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

IT MAY ONLY BE SEPTEMBER...but, the Hilltowns Community Resource Center (HCRC), a program of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany, is already beginning to coordinate its annual winter holiday program. We are all feeling the economic pinch, so this is a hard time for us to ask but, as we proceed with our efforts we need to know that you are with us. As always, we are seeking individuals, families, organizations and businesses interested in assisting struggling Hilltown families with limited resources for providing clothing and gifts for their children during the December holidays. Please, consider being a sponsor this year!! We emphasize to our families that, because of the economic climate, our focus will be on the children in the households. Sponsors can provide for a whole family if desired, but the primary focus will be the children.

Referrals of families seeking holiday assistance are made to HCRC for holiday by schools, religious organizations, community groups and other service agencies. You may call the office to discuss options available in sponsorship (i.e. number of children). Sponsors will be given a list from a family stating their immediate needs and desires to use a guide when shopping. *Cash donations* for sponsorship are also welcomed. Family names are kept confidential and a code number is assigned to each.

If you are interested in being a 2010 Christmas Program sponsor, please call HCRC at 797-5256 as soon as possible.

In 2007, the Hilltowns Community Resource Center began the HCRC Holiday Fund for Seniors which replaced the Albany Times Union Fund for the Elderly. We are continuing that effort this year which provides seniors with a little extra cash during the December holidays. Annually, HCRC, with the help of the Helderberg Kiwanis and St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar, has served approximately 70 Hilltown senior citizens in December by providing a food basket meeting his or her dietary requirements, small gift items and a small check. Anyone interested may contribute to the Hilltown Fund for Seniors by writing a check payable to HCRC with a notation in the memo line...Senior Fund. Dollars will be redistributed to eligible seniors through Catholic Charities. Contributions may also be made at collection buckets that will be placed throughout the community.

Volunteers will be needed to assist in sorting through donated items, setting up the Christmas Store at Woodman Hall, packing and delivering food baskets, and other tasks during the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Volunteers may also conduct workplace food drives which HCRC collects for distribution to families not only during the holidays, but year round. Please call HCRC anytime at 797-5256 to volunteer, or to ask questions about The Christmas Program or other Hilltown Community Resource Center services.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.

Extra Helpings Food Buying Club — Available to Everyone

Extra Helpings is a program of the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York and is offered to the community through The Hilltowns Community Resource Center (HCRC) in Westerlo. The program is open to all individuals regardless age or income. Anyone is welcome to purchase any or all of the package options. November's Extra Helpings menus are as follows:

November's Regular menu: \$21.00

- 10-12 lb. Whole Turkey
- 1 lb. Tilapia Fish Fillets
- 1 lb. Mild Bulk Sausage Roll
- 1 Dozen Fresh Large Eggs
- 5 lbs. Bag Potatoes
- 1 Bunch Sleeved Celery

Special #1: \$13.50

- 2 lbs. Cooked Shrimp (41- 50 Count)
(Peeled/ Cleaned/ Deveined)
(Thaw and serve with your favorite cocktail sauce!)

Special #2 \$20.25

- 8.5 lb. Avg. weight Fresh Spiral-Cut Ham

Special #3: \$32.00 MEAT BOX

- 2.5 lbs. IQF Chicken Breasts (Boneless & Skinless)
- 2 lbs. Sweet Italian Sausage Rope
- 3 lbs. Ground Beef 90/10 (3/ 1 lb. Packages)
- 3 lbs. Salisbury Steaks
- 2.5 lbs. Gourmet Meatballs All Natural (Fully Cooked)

(Substitutions of equal value may be necessary due to availability.)

PLEASE NOTE: Orders with payment are due at the HCRC office by **November 8th** for pick-up on **November 16th**. HCRC distributes Extra-Helpings at the Rensselaerville Firehouse from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on delivery days. Anyone wishing more information regarding Extra-Helpings or other Hilltowns Community Resource Center services, please call 797-5256. HCRC's mailing address is P.O. Box 147, Westerlo, NY 12193. Please include your phone number on all correspondence.

HEAP Outreach Days Scheduled

HEAP has scheduled the following days to be at the Rensselaerville Town Hall:

11/10/10	12:30pm-3:30pm
01/13/11	12:30pm-3:30pm
03/10/11	12:30pm-3:30pm
05/12/11	12:30pm-3:30pm

Monthly Income Eligibility Guidelines

<u>Household</u>	<u>Tier I \$</u>	<u>Tier II \$</u>
1	0 - 1,173	1,174 - 2,129
2	0 - 1,578	1,579 - 2,784
3	0 - 1,984	1,985 - 3,439
4	0 - 2,389	2,390 - 4,094
5	0 - 2,794	2,795 - 4,749
6	0 - 3,199	3,200 - 5,404
7	0 - 3,604	3,605 - 5,527
8	0 - 4,009	4,010 - 5,650
9	0 - 4,415	4,416 - 5,773
10	0 - 4,820	4,821 - 5,896
11	0 - 5,225	5,226 - 6,029
11+	+405	+ 468

Two Save-the-Dates!

**Live, on stage!
Red Haired Strangers**

SATURDAY November 6, 2010
The Guggenheim Auditorium
Free, and open to the public
Performance time TBA

**New Year's Eve
with "Mixed Company"**

FRIDAY December 31, 2010
RMC Carriage House Restaurant
See town calendar for details;
Call for reservations!



83 Huyck Road / Rensselaerville, NY 12147
Call 518.787.5100 / www.rmeetingcenter.com

Middleburgh Library Happenings

11/, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – Drop-in Storytime – This fun, interactive program is designed for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. We'll read books, sing songs, play games and watch a short film based on a weekly theme. No registration is required.

11/2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – Reading with Indy – This program is designed to allow kids the chance to read to a non-judgmental listener, one who will accept the story exactly as they read it. Indy is a trained and certified therapy dog who along with his trainer, Karen Van Dyke, offers non-judgmental ears to your little one.

11/4, 11, 18 – 7:00 PM – Do you like to knit or crochet or do you participate in other fiber arts? Bring your project and join your neighbors for some creativity and conversation. No registration is required.

11/8 – 7:00 PM – Library Board Meeting.

11/9 – 7:00 PM – Concert – Roy Zimmerman – What's funny about war, poverty, ignorance, bigotry, neo-conservatism, homophobia, greed, lust and fear? Ask Roy Zimmerman. He's been writing satirical songs for twenty years. Suggested donation: \$12.00 adults, \$10.00 seniors/students and \$25.00 families.

11/17 – 10:30 AM – Library Babies – Library Babies is a language enrichment program for caregivers and babies from 3-15 months old. Parent/ Caregiver participation is key to the success of this program. Older siblings are welcome. No registration required.

11/18 – 7:00 PM – Authors Examined - Calling all book groups! Frankie Bailey, Audrey Kupferberg and Naton Leslie will be our panelists for a discussion of all the elements that go into facilitating a great book discussion.

More programs may be planned. Stop in the library, or visit our web site at www.middleburghlibrary.org for more information.



**We promote ethical,
honest, and
competent town
government
regardless of party
affiliation!**

What's on YOUR mind?

We would like to know your ideas and what you feel we should be writing about in our Concerned Citizens newsletter. Also, we would like you to know that we need financial support in order to continue publishing our newsletter. Please let us hear from you.

Contact us to contribute to our work
PO Box 159, Rensselaerville, NY 12147
518-797-3296
<http://groups.google.com/group/concerned-citizens-of-rensselaerville>

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Notice from the Town Clerk

ALL payments for newsletter ads and ads in digital format **MUST** be made to the Town Clerk **no later than the Friday after the Town Board Meeting.**

Any ads not submitted and paid for by the deadline WILL NOT appear in the monthly newsletter. NO exceptions will be made.

We appreciate your understanding.

13th ANNUAL MEDUSA COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING



November 28

STARTING AT 6 PM

at the Church in Medusa

***WITH SINGING of CAROLS,
SPECIAL READINGS,
“The Night before Christmas”,
ENTERTAINMENT,
TREE LIGHTING, &
REFRESHMENTS***

DONATIONS OF GOODIES ARE NEEDED

**PLEASE NOTE THAT GROUPS,
INDIVIDUALS, SCOUTS, SENIORS,
4-H CLUBS, ETC. ARE INVITED
TO DO SKITS or SING
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SONGS
(religious or non-religious)
DURING THE PROGRAM.**

**Contact Bill Moore at 239-4843
before Nov 24th.**

***ALL ARE INVITED TO COME*
*from Medusa and other communities***

The Town of Rensselaerville under Democratic Leadership

The first ten months under Democratic leadership in Town government have shown dramatic changes in many ways:

- The appointment of Dale Dorner to the Town Board to fill the position vacated when Marie Dermody was elected Supervisor – Dale, an educated professional, has shown her ability to be an independent thinker who has the best interests of the Town and its taxpayers at heart.
- Town Board meetings have been respectful and productive and generally end at a reasonable time. A police presence at Town Board meetings has not been needed due to Rules of Order that are in place and enforced.
- We've had the same competent Clerk1/bookkeeper since Day 1, as opposed to 7 in the four-year administration of the last supervisor.
- Payroll checks are issued on time, and none have bounced, so unlike previous years.
- Insurance coverage has not lapsed due to late payments, unlike what transpired under the previous administration.
- FEMA revenues, once in jeopardy, have now been secured.
- An extensive, multi-year audit of Town finances by the Albany County Comptroller's Office under the direction of Michael Connors is drawing to a close. Town finances are coming into order as the Town Board attends to the recommendations made in this audit.
- The supervisor knows the job and does it to the best of her ability. She is willing to learn from others, and takes all valid suggestions under consideration, regardless of political affiliations.
- The drama of the last four years is almost completely gone, except for the few who continue to exaggerate even the most mundane non-issues.

The Democratic majority on the Town Board continue to strive to move the Town forward, rejecting the legacy of division and partisan politics.

There is an amazing transformation taking place in Town government. A vote for Dale Dorner to the Town Board will ensure that the unnecessary drama of those yesteryears does not return to infest the Town of Rensselaerville again.

Vote for Dale Dorner, Town Board, on November 2

This ad is proudly sponsored by the Town of Rensselaerville Democratic Social Club

**Everyone is invited to attend our meetings which are held the third Tuesday of the month in
April, May, June, September, October, and November
Our annual picnic is held August/September
Our annual holiday party is held in December**

Membership is only \$5.00 per year & we meet at the Medusa Firehouse

**We contribute financially to the Helderberg Community Resource Center and to local food pantries.
We are members of the "Adopt a Highway" Program, picking up litter along Route 85 twice a year.
We work together to improve our Town in many ways. Your participation is welcomed & appreciated.**





**Dale Dorner
For Town Board**

I was born and raised in Staten Island, NY, at a time when there were still farms on Staten Island. I graduated from New Dorp High School (1959) and Wagner College (1962) with a degree in teaching. In 1967, I earned a Master's Degree from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. In 1973, I graduated from Albany Law School. During this time, I raised four children ~ Hillery, Jon, Brad, and Leander. Hillery lives near Boston, MA, and my other three children live in this area.

I moved to Rensselaerville in 1976. My children were raised in Rensselaerville, loving the hills and surrounding woods. I left the village around 1995 and returned to Main Street in 2004. I live at 1444 County Route 351 with my husband, Tom Delp.

During my time in Rensselaerville, I have been a member of the Historical Society, and I was the Executive Director for a period of several years during the time of the initial restoration of the Grist Mill. I have had the opportunity to be a member of the Preserve Board as well as a member of the Volunteer Ambulance Squad, having obtained EMT certification. I have been active in many organizations within the Town of Rensselaerville.

As an appointed member of the Town Board, I have enjoyed the opportunity to participate in local government and work for the Town. Not only do I bring my willingness to work cooperatively with all who endeavor to bring the Town forward, but I also bring my expertise in legal matters and my ability to work diligently and without prejudice on any matter brought before the Town Board.

I would very much like to continue in my capacity as a member of the Town Board, and I request your support in the November election.



**Timothy C. Miller
For Town Justice**

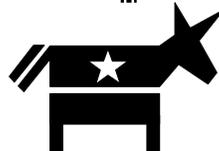
Serving the people and Town of Rensselaerville as Town Justice has been a great honor and pleasure. Being a Town Justice is about more than just training and knowledge. Fundamental to the quest for justice is an impartial and fair judge. Achieving these qualities is a matter of temperament, values, and conscious effort. During my 30-year career as a public school social studies teacher, I have learned how to listen to and value to views of teenagers, parents, and colleagues.

Since my appointment to the position of Rensselaerville Town Justice in October 2009, I have attended the four mandatory weekends of training for new Town Justices. In addition, I have attended special training on Driving While Intoxicated cases, Family Violence and Making Orders of Protection Effective, and Audit Pitfalls and Solutions. In each instance, I have passed the subsequent examinations administered by the Office of Court Administration.

Serving as your Town Justice has not been my only involvement in community affairs. I have also served two terms as a member of the Rensselaerville Water & Sewer Committee, two terms as a board member of the Rensselaerville Historical Society, and am currently Assistant Treasurer for Conkling Hall.

My wife Linda and I have been married for 43 years. We have three children: Jennifer in Boston, David in Pine Plains, and Carrie in Yonkers. We also have three beloved grandchildren. I have a Master of Arts degrees from the University of Vermont and a PhD from the University of Rochester, both degrees being in history. I have taught American History for most of my career.

Nothing would give me greater pleasure than the opportunity to continue to serve the people of the Town of Rensselaerville as your Town Justice.



VOTE for professional, respectful Town Government.

VOTE for Dale Dorner for Town Board, Timothy Miller for Town Justice

VOTE FOR EXPERIENCE ... IT MATTERS!



All You Can Eat BREAKFAST

Free Will Offering

NOV. 20th
DEC. 18th
JAN. 15th
FEB. 19th
MAR. 19th
APR. 16th

7 AM TO 11 AM

MEDUSA FIRE COMPANY

**ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31st
FROM 11:30 AM TO 2:00 PM
THE MEDUSA FIRE COMPANY
WILL BE HOLDING ITS ANNUAL**



AT THE MEDUSA FIRE HOUSE

**ADULTS - \$9.50
CHILDREN AGES 5-12 - \$4.50
UNDER AGE 5 - FREE**

ALL ARE WELCOME



Church Services

Preston Hollow Baptist Church

Route 145, Preston Hollow,
239-6544
Worship: Sunday - 11:00AM

Rensselaerville Presbyterian Church

Summer Session Worship - 11:00AM
Coffee Hour following Service

United Church of Christ

Medusa, 239-6119
Worship: Sunday - 10:00AM

Trinity Episcopal Church

Trinity Lane, Rensselaerville,
797-5395
Holy Eucharist & Church School Sunday
11:00AM

Potter Hollow Union Church

4824 Potter Hollow Mountain Road
Potter Hollow, 263-4478
Worship: Sunday - 10:00AM
Coffee Hour & Sunday School—11:30AM



Volunteer News and Events

Medusa Volunteer Fire Department

Company Meeting: Monday, November 1st, at 8:00 PM
Drill & Work Meeting: Monday, November 8th and 15th at 7:00PM

Rensselaerville Volunteer Fire Department

Join us for another season of saving lives and homes in your neighborhood!!

Calls as of October 8th : 40

November:

- 1st - Begin TOY Drive for HCRC
- 1st - 7pm Company Drill
- 3rd - 7pm Ladies Battalion
- 8th - 7pm Company Drill
- 24th - 7:30pm Company Meeting
- 29th - End TOY Drive

December:

- 1st - 7pm Ladies Battalion
- 4th - 3:30pm Kids Christmas Party
- 6th - 7pm Company Drill
- 13th - 7pm Company Drill
- 29th - 7:30pm Company Meeting

Special Events:

- 10/31 - DON'T FORGET - CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY - RV Fire House!!
- 11/1 - 11/29 TOY DRIVE to benefit families served by the "Hilltown Communities Resource Center". Please GIVE GENEROUSLY.....
- 12/4—3:30pm Kids Christmas Party - Bring your children for fun, games, goodies and a visit from SANTA !!! (All their friends will be looking for them.....)

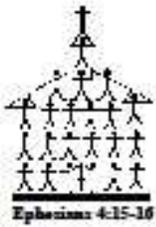
Tri-Village Volunteer Fire Department

Company Meeting: Wednesday, November 3rd at 8:00PM

Rensselaerville Volunteer Ambulance Department

Company Meeting: Wednesday, November 17th at 7:00PM





Ephesians 4:15-16

The Church @ Potter Hollow

Potter Hollow Union Church News

Visit us in our Fellowship Hall! 4824 Potter Hollow Rd. Potter Hollow NY.

Time Change!



ATTENTION!!! Starting November 7th
our service times are changing!

We will be moving Sunday School to before our
worship service, and adding an adult Sunday
School.

New Times

Sunday School 9:30am-10:15am

Worship Service 10:30am



SAVE THE DATE!

December 12th will be our annual Christmas program and party. Practices are
starting now! Call Kim Aloisi if you would like to be a part! 239-4732

Ongoing Events

2nd Tuesday Family Night Tuesday November 9th 6:30-8:30; All ages welcome!
Meal Provided (Soup and Salad Night)

The Old Country Church SWAP Shop open Wednesday & Friday 10am -2pm
Located in our historic building at the start of Scott Patten Rd. in Potter Hollow

Contact us: Potter Hollow Union Church, Po Box 576, Preston Hollow, NY 12469

Phone:(518)263-4478 or (518)239-8011 e-mail: nathandmiles@hotmail.com

or look for us on FACEBOOK!

A Report from the Supervisor

By the time you read this, or at least soon thereafter, the Town of Rensselaerville will have embarked on a revenue-producing journey with Green Fiber, a company out of Hagaman, NY. At the October meeting, the Town Board unanimously voted to enter into a contract with Green Fiber for the recycling of our paper and cardboard collections. The company will provide the container and will make weekly pickups, dropping off an empty container in exchange. Tonnage will be recorded, and the Town will receive a check each quarter for the weight of the paper and cardboard collected.

This is viewed as a win-win-win situation. The Town benefits by not only receiving additional income for material we used to "give away," but it cuts down on the wear and tear of our refuse truck as a result of not having to make this additional weekly trip to dispose of the material. Green Fiber benefits because they are able to purchase, at a reasonable cost, the raw materials needed for manufacturing their product, blown-in insulation. And the environment wins because we can be assured that this material will not wind up in the landfill, decomposing over many, many, many years.

Those interested in learning more about Green Fiber can check out their web site, www.greenfiber.com. Please look elsewhere in this newsletter for more information about acceptable/unacceptable materials. Also make note that paper or cardboard with any food residue cannot be accepted (i.e., pizza boxes "contaminated" with cheese or oil, etc.); these materials can be deposited with your regular trash.

If we all become better at separating out our paper and cardboard recyclables and depositing them in the Green Fiber container, not only will we be improving the Town's "bottom line," but we'll also make a tremendous contribution to the environment.

Another bit of good news concerns the donation of a GPS to the Town for use in the senior/youth bus and senior car. This donation was made by Pat Kane of Sayville, New York. Pat is the niece of Anne Vogel, Senior Coordinator. An official note of thanks will be sent to Pat. And training will be provided to all drivers needing to use the GPS.

The multi-year audit of the Town's finances by the Albany County Office of the Comptroller, under the direction of Michael F. Connors, is almost complete. The Town Board is working on its responses to the audit's recommendations, which will be further discussed at the November 9th Town Board meeting when Mr. Connors and members of his team return to Town Hall. We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to the Comptroller and staff for completing a much-needed job at no cost to the Town.

Budget preparations are proceeding with relatively little drama or dissension. A public hearing will be scheduled in early November for taxpayer input. Please check the Town's web site (www.renselaerville.com) for the actual date and time of this public hearing.

In closing, despite what you read in the papers, written by the disgruntled few, I am happy to report that this Town continues to move forward in a positive direction. Positive energy abounds and accomplishments continue to mount. Feel free to stop by and check us out. You'll be pleasantly surprised!

Please Take Notice

The Town Clerk's Office will be closed on

- November 2, 2010 for Election Day
- November 11, 2010 in observance of Veterans Day
- November 25th and 26th for the Thanksgiving Holiday

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FROM	TO	AMOUNT
Contingency - A1990.4	General Health Ins. - A9060.8	8700.00
Highway Fund		
General Repairs - DA5110.1	FEMA Coord -DA5151.1	1700.00
Payroll charges for the FEMA coordinator current/past month.		
Health Ins - DA9060.8	Disability Ins - D9055.8	220.00
Increase in disability insurance due to audit from carrier.		
Water Fund		
Administration - SW8310.4	Trans/distribution - SW8340.4	2700.00
Repairs to water district dam. Please discuss with Jack Long.		

2nd by Councilman Kudlack; *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack;*
Nays (0)

ABSTRACT 2010- VOUCHERS,BILLS: The General Fund - (8/17/10) - \$1126.11; Highway Fund - (8/17/10) - \$382.80; 9/9/10 - 9/10/10 - General Fund -\$20,889.90; Highway Fund - \$48,410.64; Lighting District - \$664.00; Sewer District - \$58.97; Water District - \$2090.03. - Total \$72,113.54.
 Agency & Trust - (9/8/10) - \$1219.80.

Councilwoman Cooke, the voucher for repairs to the gas pumps that was coded to the general fund should be coded to the highway fund and why did we have to pay a late fee to Central Hudson?

We ran out of checks and delivery of new check took far longer than they should have

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to pay all signed vouchers; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack.
Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)

CORRESPONDENCE

- Mrs. Janice D. Irons - Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center. Supervisor Dermody read a letter from Mrs. Irons concerning the CVSVC and the possibility of its doors closing. The Town Board discussed this issue.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner authorizing Supervisor Dermody to write a letter in support of keeping the Albany County Crime Victim & Sexual Violence Center open and not to eliminate any positions at this agency; 2nd by Councilwoman Cooke. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR DERMODY

- FINANCIAL REPORT:** The Town Board reviewed and discussed the financial report submitted by Bookkeeper Cornwell. Councilwoman Cooke asked that Bookkeeper Cornwell make the needed corrections.
 A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to approve the Financial Report as corrected; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*
- WASTE OIL COLLECTION:** Supervisor Dermody reported that 52.2 gallons of used oil were collected on August 21, 2010. The next waste oil collections days are September 18th and October 23rd.
- SPECIAL MEETING:** Supervisor Dermody suggested that the meeting to present the Tentative Budget to the Town Board be scheduled for October 4, 2010.
 A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to schedule a Special Meeting for October 4, 2010, 7 PM for the purpose of the Town Clerk presenting the Town Board with their 2011 Tentative Budget; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0).*

- RECOMMENDATIONS:** Supervisor Dermody mentioned that the Town Board should begin to act on some of the issues that were noted in the Town of Berne's audit. The following issues were given to the Board members to begin investigating and to come back to the October meeting with information.. Councilman

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Chase - fencing and security; Councilwoman Cooke - well; Councilman Dorner - records room; Councilman Kudlack - generator.

- **PAYROLL:** Supervisor Dermody thanked Councilwoman Cooke for auditing the July payroll. Councilman Kudlack will do the August payroll. Councilwoman Cooke asked if the employees could be assigned numbers. Supervisor Dermody will bring this up to Bookkeeper Cornwell.
- **DVD:** Supervisor Dermody asked Mr. Tollner if he had a copy of the March DVD yet. Mr. Tollner mentioned that it is coming.
- **FEMA:** Supervisor Dermody reported that another folder has been sent in; we have two more to go. One of them is the Impounding Dam project.
- **OLD BUILDING DEBRIS - POTTER HOLLOW:** Supervisor Dermody reported that Bill Jones is going to remove the metal debris stating on Saturday. It will take him a couple of days to do this. He is not charging us to removal the metal debris.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept the Supervisor's report, 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Chase, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

TOWN ATTORNEY

- **LOCAL LAW NO, 2 OF THE YEAR 2010 - COMMERCIAL WIND POWER FACILITIES:** Attorney Catalano asked if the notification of filing of Local Law No. 2 for the Town of Rensselaerville has come back from the Department of State yet. Town Clerk Hallenbeck mentioned that it hasn't been received yet.
- **DOG LICENSING LAW -** Town Clerk Hallenbeck gave copies of a sample law to the Town Board. There will be a meeting of the Town Clerks Association on the 17th to discuss tags. Town Clerk Hallenbeck gave a portion of her report. (Entire report is listed under the Town Clerk section) . Attorney Catalano mentioned that since we have to adopt the law by the end of the year, by the October Board meeting he will have a draft law for the Board to review and look at the fee schedules and the things that they want to cover and don't want to cover. The schedule is October we will introduce the proposed law and have a public hearing in November.

Attorney Catalano mentioned that it is remarkable the way the town clerks work together, getting this law out. Their networking is very good; he is getting reports from a lot of different towns from the town clerks.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

- **KEN MCCULLOCH:** Superintendent Zeh mentioned that he only knew Ken for a short time; he was a really nice guy, he made his job easier. He will be missed by the Highway Department.
- **WORK IN PROGRESS:** Superintendent Zeh mentioned that culverts have been installed on Pucker Street and Pond Hill Road. Fleming Road the ditching has been completed and culvert installation. Siebert Road, paving is tentatively scheduled for next week. After they get done paving Siebert Road, they will go to Pearson Road and patch. Repairs - last month we spend \$6,190.00 on equipment and trucks. We may need to transfer money into the equipment line to get these trucks ready for the winter.
- **USED MEDIUM DUTY TRUCK/HEAVY DUTY TRUCK:**
 USED MEDIUM DUTY TRUCK: Superintendent Zeh handed out the results of the medium duty trucks that he located. A 2007 Ford F550, truck price - \$34,400.00, plow - \$5500.00, Sander - \$5642.00, warranty 2 years on the engine, mileage 32,000.00, engine - 6.0L diesel. A 2008 Ford F550 - \$35,500.00, plow - \$4522.00, sander - \$4656.00, warranty 3 years on the engine, mileage - 47,000, engine - 6.4l diesel.

Superintendent Zeh was asked if he looked at the State contracts. The State contract was awarded to Burr, they have the contract for GMC; this truck is no longer being made. Supervisor Dermody mentioned that she went on line and there are contract upgrades on trucks at Albany International. Superintendent Zeh mentioned that they don't make that a four wheel drive. That is a new truck. The Town Board discussed medium duty trucks at length. Councilwoman Cooke mentioned that we have to start making a decision on the trucks.

USED HEAVY DUTY TRUCK: Superintendent Zeh talked about Truck 2 and how unsafe it is; the truck will be parked. Superintendent Zeh handed to the Board the information on two Oshkosh trucks he

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found. A 1987 Oshkosh P2526 for \$32,000.00, with plow/wing, sander, automatic with 60,343 miles. A 1992 Oshkosh P2526 for \$43,500.00 with plow/wing, sander, 9 speed with 66,072 miles. He can come up with \$20,000.00 from his budget, \$10,000.00 from the snow equipment line and \$10,000.00 from snow contingency. If the Town Board can come up with the rest he didn't see why we can't get both trucks.

Supervisor Dermody mentioned that she talked to Superintendent Zeh and said we would get one of these trucks this year and then, provided that money is there in the unexpended balance and doesn't deplete the entire account come January 1st, he can have the \$190,000.00 that he wants for the new truck. We all realize that this equipment needs to be replaced; we cannot bankrupt this town to do it all at once. Councilwoman Dorner suggested setting a special meeting to discuss the truck issue further.

Supervisor Dermody asked Superintendent Zeh what truck he needed. Superintendent Zeh, his priority is the medium duty truck.

USED MEDIUM DUTY TRUCK: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to purchase the medium duty truck for \$44,678.00; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

HEAVY DUTY TRUCK: A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the bid for the used 1987 Oshkosh P2526 Heavy Duty Truck, on approval of looking at it, for the bid price of 32,000.00 (delivered), and transfer money out of the un-appropriated fund balance; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Supervisor Dermody— *NAY*, Councilwoman Cooke—*AYE*, Councilwoman Dorner—*NAY*, Councilman Kudlack— *AYE*

SPECIAL MEETING: The Town Board will hold a Special Meeting on September 23, 2010 at 7 PM to discuss the truck issue further.

- **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN:** Superintendent Zeh submitted this plan in April; some changes need to be made. Are there any values on the items to be auctioned off? This will be discussed on the 23rd.
- **SAFETY DISCUSSION :** They have safety discussions and meeting every week.
A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Superintendent's report, 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

TOWN CLERK: Town Clerk Hallenbeck reported the following collected and paid out for the month of August 2010; Town Clerk Department - Total Collected - \$1798.25. Paid to the Supervisor - \$670.54 (fees); Paid to the Albany County Clerk - \$14.75(dog license); Paid to NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets - \$3.00 (spay and neutering Program); Paid to NYS Departmental Conservation - \$1109.96 (sporting license); Paid to NYS Department of Health - \$0.00 (marriage license). Water Rents Collected - \$1407.12. Sewer Rents Collected - \$1551.66.

Town Clerk Hallenbeck reported on the new dog licensing issue. There will be no increase in the Town Clerk software charge for 2011. We will not be able to keep all funding collected for licensing dogs, There will be a surcharge fee on all dogs that will be sent to the State. There will be a Town Clerk's meeting on September 17th to discuss the tag issue. Attached in the packet is a sample dog license law for the Board members to review.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept the Town Clerk's Report for the month of August 2010; 2nd by Councilwoman Cooke. *Motion Carried. Ayes (5) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR: CEO Overbaugh reported the following collected for the month of August 2010; 4 Building New Accessory, 1 Accessory Repairs, 1 Septic Repairs, 1 Pool Permit, 1 Building Repairs. Total funds collected - \$140.00.

- **PROPANE ALERT:** CEO Overbaugh mentioned that a notice has been put out by Fire Prevention & Control that some propane does not have the odor added to it. Be careful.

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- **OLD BUILDING DEBRIS – POTTER HOLLOW:** Councilwoman Cooke asked if you are doing anything with the old building in Potter Hollow or have any suggestions. CEO Overbaugh mentioned it is up to the Board; he has been there and looked at it. The building is in a neat pile. The Town Board and CEO Overbaugh will continue to work on this issue.

A motion was made by Councilman Kudlack to accept CEO Overbaugh's report; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT: Assessor Pine reported the following;

- **COLD WAR VETERANS EXEMPTION:** Assessor Pine mentioned that this exemption needs to be done by January 2011 if the Town wants to adopt it. He explained the exemption and mentioned that the County already has it and that we try and be consistent with the County. Attorney Catalano mentioned that the Town Board will have to make a decision on this at the October meeting.
- **STAR/SENIOR STAR:** Assessor Pine reported that the Star and Senior Star exemption has dropped by 10% over the last two years.
- **REVAL:** Assessor Pine spoke briefly about the informational meeting on Tuesday night concerning REVAL. He volunteered to hold an information workshop on REVAL ½ hour before a town board meeting if the public would like.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Assessors report; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

WATER/SEWER COMMITTEE:

- **SEWER DISTRICT:** Chairman Jack Long reported that the Sewer Treatment Plant had a pump break down. The system is a two pump system so if one pump fails you have the other pump working until you can replace the broken pump. When they purchased the system a third pump was purchased for emergencies. Mr. Delp, Committee Member, was able to get a contractor to replace the broken pump. The broken pump will be repaired and kept for a backup. Also fixed was the control panel.
- **WATER DISTRICT:** Chairman Long reported that the cleanout of the Impounding Dam has been done; they were waiting for the permit from the State giving permission to do the work.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept the report submitted by Chairman Long for the Water and Sewer Districts; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

CURRENT EVENTS:

- September 17, 2010 is National Prisoner of War and Missing in Action Recognition Day. Please fly your POW and MIA flags at Town Hall.
- Medusa Breakfast – September 11, 2010. Starting in October the breakfast will be the third Saturday of the month.
- Democratic Social Club will have their Annual Picnic at the Bayard Elsbree Park on September 12th. Everyone is welcome.

OLD BUSINESS

NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM – RESOLUTION: This issue was tabled until further notice allowing Supervisor Dermody to talk to Brian Wood and see, if we endorse this resolution, what does it commit us to.

GEROGETTE KOENIG – POND HILL ROAD: Georgette Koenig gave the Town Board pictures of Pond Hill Road from County Route 10 to about 75 feet beyond her house. According to Superintendent Zeh the sluice was damaged earlier this summer by the Highway Department. The recent heavy rains of August 16th and August 21st have exacerbated the continued deterioration of Pond Hill. Pond Hill is on the end of the repair list. Mrs. Koenig questions whether it will be repaired this year. Putting off repairs for another year is not an option. The majority of the road damage and erosion is directly in front of their upper driveway. It is nearly impossible not to bottom out multiple times when going in and out of the driveway causing potential

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undercarriage damage. They want an indication when they expect to have Pond Hill Road repaired as stated in the 2010 Highway Agreement. It is a highly traveled road and must be attended to long before it snows. School buses are on the roads. It is not a safe thoroughfare for anyone at this point. It makes no sense to unnecessarily put even our children at risk. Two days after she wrote the letter, on September 3rd, the Highway Department started ditching. She spoke to Highway Superintendent Zeh expressing her concerns. Mrs. Koenig stated, "Until Pond Hill Road is correctly and permanently repaired, Robert and Georgette Koenig hold the Town of Rensselaerville Highway Department responsible for any future front end or undercarriage damage that we find on our vehicles which is caused by the current state of this disrepair for Pond Hill Road."

NEW BUSINESS:

PETITION TO THE TOWN BOARD PROPOSING CHANGES TO BURKHARDT ROAD: Barry Gerson presented the Town Board with a petition proposing changes to Burkhardt Road.

"The petition calls for concrete road blocks to be placed on Burkhardt Road at the two boundaries of the saw mill property- specifically the east end (running along the Wood property) and the west end of said boundaries (running along the Edith Place property). The part of Burkhardt Road, within the boundaries of the saw mill would cease to be taken care of, i.e. road repairs, snow removal, by the Town of Rensselaerville. This said stretch of road would become a U-Turn with in the saw mill property for the use of trucks to turn around in order to facilitate exiting the property onto Rte. 145. Therefore, in servicing the saw mill and picking up - they would enter the mill from Rt. 145 onto the existing mill road at the western end, turn right onto the enclosed mill part of Burkhardt Road (which would no longer have such designation) go to the east end concrete road block, and turn right onto the existing dirt road in order to exit onto Rt. 145. This road runs parallel to the Wood property"

Also included in the petition are "8 Existing conditions that we seek to have remedied." The petition was signed by 11 individuals. Attached to the petition was a sketch of the proposed changes.

This issue was discussed at length. The trucks going to the sawmill drive in by Burkhardt Road going the wrong way, knocking down road signs and running over homeowners' property. When the sawmill first opened up years ago, the trucks were to come in and out on Route 145. Legally the Town can't cut off a portion of the road. Attorney Catalano will check into the abandonment of a road; he is not sure a portion of the road can be abandoned. Superintendent Zeh mentioned if barricades are put up, they won't be able to plow the road. Posting of weight limits will be checked into. The Town Board suggested that the property owners contact the police alerting them to the situation and that these trucks are coming in Burkhardt Road the wrong way and also destroying property.

Superintendent Zeh will write to the land owner asking that he make an effort to have the trucks come on and off Route 145 or we will have to take further action. Supervisor Dermody will look up the original paperwork from when the sawmill first came in because it was stated that they had to make access from Route 145 only.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and that Attorney Catalano and the Youth Program Coordinators be invited to attend; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. (8:15PM) *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to come out of Executive Session; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. (8:40PM) *Motion Carried. Ayes (4) Dermody, Cooke, Dorner, Kudlack; Nays (0)*

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

- Joli Pizzigati - trucks - please think of the people who drive and ride on these roads who have to go back and forth to work. When you take that into consideration and his need to purchase a truck to prevent someone from getting carbon monoxide poisoning, it makes someone very ill. Think about that.
- Bob Bolte asked how many tags are needed for the dog license. He is disappointed that we don't give the Highway Superintendent a truck that he needs when we spend \$47,640.00 on a fancy copy machine that was suppose to everything that we wanted to do. Now we bought another machine that cost \$7680.00 for

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5 years. Our biggest obligation in this town is the recycling center and the highway department and equipment for the highway department. The fact the trucks were not taken care of shouldn't be loaded on to the new highway superintendent shoulders no matter who he is.

- Steve Wood mentioned that you have to give Gary some kind of help. He talked about manpower and training for the highway department employees. You have to send these guys to school at the Union shop; why are you holding back. Superintendent Zeh mentioned that we are waiting for the Union to sign the addendum for the training.
- Ed Pizzigati spoke about the voting issues at the Fire House; the issue has been resolved. The Primary will be held at the Medusa Fire House. Does the Town Board have enough manpower and do we have the proper amount of trucks to do all the plow routes this winter? The taxpayers and emergency services are going to suffer if we aren't properly staffed and properly equipped. Emergency services can't do their job if the roads are not passable.

Superintendent Zeh mentioned that when you are looking at the budget for next year and you look at the well and upgrading security, could you take into consideration lighting in the garage. Supervisor Dermody asked that Superintendent Zeh work on the lighting since he knows what he needs. Superintendent Zeh will get prices for this.

Superintendent Zeh mentioned that Pond Hill Road has been like that for at least eight years; it is on the contract for this year and it is going to get fixed.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *Motion Carried.*

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
Kathleen A. Hallenbeck, Town Clerk

ALBANY COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Defensive Driving Course

Cost - \$35.00 Checks made payable to : Capital Region Envirothon
All attendees must have a pre-paid registration

Date - December 11, 2010

Times - 8:45am - 3:30pm Please Be Prompt!!!
(1/2 hour lunch - please bring your own)

Where - Extension Center at 24 Martin Road in Voorheesville

This course will give the attending driver a 10% discount toward the liability, no fault and collision portion of their automobile insurance policy and it will reduce up to the first 4 points for any tickets they have received within the 18 months prior to taking the class. This course does not erase the ticket!

For More Information Or A Registration Form Contact :
Albany County SWCD at
(518) 765-7923
Or e-mail: susan.lewis@ny.nacdnet.net

HOLIDAY RUMMAGE SALE

December 3, 4, & 18

**MEDUSA CHURCH HALL
10AM TO 3PM**

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS & DECORATIONS
BOOKS - TOYS - RECORDS
LOTS OF GOOD MISC.ITEMS**

LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE

(on Sat the 4th only**)**

SOUP - SANDWICHES - HOT DOGS - CHILI



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- Town Hall/Refuse Center**
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- ★ **We can avoid new taxes by spending our money wisely.**
- ★ **We should support efforts to improve our roads.**

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- Phonebooks
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- Cardboard
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- Brown Paper Bags
- Construction Paper



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NEW Important Contact Information

Town Board Meetings
Second Thursday 7:00 pm

Working Meeting
Tuesday 7:00 pm
before regular meeting

Town Justice Court
Mondays 7:00 pm

Planning Board
First and third Thursdays 7:30 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals
First Tuesday 7:00 pm

Building Inspector/Zoning Officer
Thursday 8:00-10:00am, 7-9 pm

Town Clerk's Hours
Monday-Wednesday 9:00am-3:30pm
Thursday 1:30pm-7:30pm
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Supervisor's Hours
Monday, 9am—12 noon
Wednesday, 9am—12 noon
Friday following monthly TB meeting
9am—12 noon
Other times by appointment

Assessors' Hours
Thursday 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Assessors' Clerk Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday morning

Dog Control Officer
Cheryl Baitsholts
518-797-5201

Town Refuse Station Hours
Wednesday and Saturday
7:00am-3:45pm

Water/Sewer District Meeting
First Thursday 7:00 pm

Town Supervisor
Marie Dermody
518-239-4552 (H)

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Kathleen A. Hallenbeck

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Gary Chase, Marion Cooke,
Dale Dorner, John Kudlack

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& Code Enforcement Officer
Mark Overbaugh

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Jeff Pine, Donna Kropp,
Michael Weber
Rachel Chase, Clerk II

Highway Superintendent
Gary Zeh

Planning Board
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Kathy Wank, Secretary

Zoning Board of Appeals
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Dee Andrus

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Social Number - 797-3218

Tri-Village Fire Company, 911
Social number - 239-6780

Medusa Fire Company, 911
Back up emergency number,
765-5979
Social number - 239-6166

Rensselaerville Vol. Ambulance, 911
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518-765-2351

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Rensselaerville and Hilltowns, 911
518-477-9333

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