

**MARCH 16, 2010**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**

A Neighborhood Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Roxbury was held on March 16, 2010 at the Roxbury Performing Arts Center on Eyland Avenue in Succasunna at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Roxbury was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was faxed to the Daily Record, the Newark Star Ledger and the Roxbury Register on December 18, 2009; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 18, 2009.

**ROLL CALL (Present):** Councilmen Gary Behrens, Fred Hall, Martin Schmidt, Tim Smith, Richard Zoschak; Councilwoman Kathy DeFillippo and Mayor Jim Rilee

**Also Present:** Christopher Rath, Township Manager; BettyLou DeCroce, Township Clerk

**OPENING REMARKS – Mayor Jim Rilee**

Mayor Rilee introduced the Council and Staff to the public. The Mayor went over the format of the Neighborhood Meeting and welcomed the public.

**ROXBURY TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

A number of Township residents were recognized for their years of service of the Township.

Mayor Rilee presented a certificate from the Township of Roxbury and Assemblyman Tony Bucco was present with a certificate from the State of New Jersey.

Mr. Edward Kirchgessner questioned why the Senior Center does not receive notification of the Neighborhood Meetings. He felt that there would be more seniors attending if they were aware of it. Mrs. DeCroce stated that the schools are notified with flyers and she will add the Senior Center to the list.

**The following residents were recognized:**

**Advisory Committee**

Richard Cramond 28 Years  
Marge Cushing 28 Years  
Barbara Cassidy 15 Years  
Robert Morris 10 Years

**Board of Adjustment**

Joyce Dargel 15 Years  
Gail Robortaccio 15 Years

**Planning Board**

Larry Sweeney 10 Years  
Scott Meyer 10 Years  
Jim Rilee 12 Years  
Rich Zoschak 12 Years

**Open Space**

Bob Behrent 10 Years

Bill Dluzniewski 10 Years

**Recreation Advisory Board**

Joe Perfetti 22 Years

Don Banta 11 Years

Andrea Crowley 10 Years

**Environmental Commission**

Roberta Wiener 15 Years

Christopher Raths, Township Manager went over the 2010 "To Do List" and the projects that were completed in 2009.

Mr. Raths also gave an update on the improvements at the Rt. 10/Hillside Avenue intersection. This project is not a State project, but rather a County project.

Rick Blood, DPW Director went over the status of the HSL Bikeway which is a joint project with the County of Morris and the Township to move the bikeway to the left of Fishermen's Lane because of the active railroad track. Mr. Blood stated that the cost to the Township will be for labor and the county will supply labor as well. Also, there will be a fence on the other side of the roadway and the train tracks.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

Mr. Peters from 69 Eyland Avenue questioned the current bridge and water pipes in the area of the new bikeway. Mr. Blood stated that the current bridge will be utilized and that there will not be any disturbance to the waterway or piping. Mr. Peters further stated that he has concerns for Horseshoe Lake and he feels it should be policed more because of pets and public. Mr. Raths will discuss this with the Police Department.

**INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**10-70** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION, PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF A NOTICE OF SALE AND THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY NOTICE OF SALE AND PRESCRIBING THE FORMS THEREOF FOR \$7,992,000 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, DATED APRIL 1, 2010, APPROVING THE PREPARATION, DISTRIBUTION AND EXECUTION OF A PRELIMINARY AND A FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT FOR SUCH BONDS, UNDERTAKING TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION, COVENANTING TO COMPLY WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, DESIGNATING SUCH BONDS AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR PURPOSES OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, AND AUTHORIZING VARIOUS MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH ELECTRONIC BIDDING FOR THE BONDS

Mr. Zoschak made a motion to adopt resolution 10-70. Mr. Hall seconded the motion.

Roll Call:            Mr. Zoschak – Yes    Mr. Hall – Yes  
                         Mr. Behrens – Yes    Ms. DeFillippo – Yes  
                         Mr. Schmidt – Yes    Mr. Smith – Yes  
                         Mayor Rilee – Yes

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

**10-71            RESOLUTION COMBINING SEVERAL  
AUTHORIZATIONS OF BONDS INTO A SINGLE ISSUE  
AND PRESCRIBING THE DETAILS AND BOND FORM  
THEREOF FOR \$7,992,000 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT  
BONDS DATED APRIL 1, 2010**

Ms. DeFillippo made a motion to adopt resolution 10-71. Mr. Schmidt seconded the motion.

Roll Call:    Ms. DeFillippo – Yes            Mr. Schmidt – Yes  
                         Mr. Behrens – Yes                Mr. Hall – Yes  
                         Mr. Smith – Yes                    Mr. Zoschak – Yes  
                         Mayor Rilee – Yes

Motion Carried 7 to 0.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

Residents spoke one on one with Council members on various issues.

Dave Rogers questioned the activities of Valley Auto Wreckers and the additional junk vehicles/boats left along the side of the roadway. Ms. DeCrocce stated that she licenses the auto wreckers and will discuss this with Mr. Rath and the Zoning Officer.

At 9:00 PM, Mr. Smith made a motion to close the Neighborhood Meeting. Mr. Hall seconded the motion

Roll Call: All in Favor – Yes

Motioned Carried 5 to 0.

Submitted By:

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BettyLou DeCrocce  
Township Clerk

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

**DATE:**            April 13, 2010  
**ROLL CALL:**    Mr. Schmidt – Yes    Mrs. DeFillippo – Yes  
                         Mr. Behrens – Yes    Deputy Mayor Hall – Yes  
                         Mr. Smith – Yes      Mr. Zoschak – Yes  
                         Mayor Rilee - Yes