

ULSTER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Minutes–June 3, 2009

The Ulster County Planning Board Meeting
7:30 p.m. – Surrogate Courtroom, 3rd Floor
County Office Building

The Referral Review Process Committee Met at 6:30 **Melinda Beuf, Rich Praetorius, Mark Watkins and Tom Wilkin**

Chairperson Hokanson called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and asked Mr. Leibowitz to read the roll call.

- 1. ROLL CALL Present:** R. Pecora, M. Beuf, J. Konior, D. Martorana, T. Hokanson, R. Oakes, T. Wilkin, S. Hudson, R. Praetorius, K. Holmquist, M. Watkins, R. Budziak, A. Yuran, R. Elwell, R. Pritchard, S. Finkle, D. Doyle, J. Schwartz, R. Leibowitz, B. Samuelson
Absent: L. Biggin, F. Greitzer, G. Matichuk, T. Briggs **Excused:** P. Hakim, T. Natale
Guests: Tom Rocco, Michael Baden, Dan Shuster, Dan Simone, Suzanne Cahill, Brad Dow
- 2. PREVIOUS MINUTES** Ms. Beuf notified staff (via e-mail) that she abstained from the vote on referral 2009-079 Atmosphere & Woodrock/Town of Gardiner. Mr. Praetorius abstained from referrals 2009-059 & 060 Abraham Arguenta/Village of Saugerties.
The May minutes were approved as amended. Motion made by Mr. Finkle, seconded by Mr. Martorana. Ms. Elwell abstained.
- 3. FINANCIAL REPORT**
Mr. Doyle stated that the finances for the current year are good. The Transportation Council (UCTC) has asked to spend additional money from the Professional Services account to do studies not included in the original work program. Mr. Doyle explained this is in part due to the UCTC being on a different budget schedule from the county. He added that he may go to the Legislature to request additional funding. Mr. Doyle stated it amounts to approximately \$160,000 from the county which represents a 5% match. He added that he has also been working with the Finance Department on a solution.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT**
No Public Comment
- 5. COMMUNITY REPORT**
No Community Report
- 6. COMMUNICATIONS –** Handed out separately.
Mr. Martorana thanked Mr. Doyle and staff for the seminar held last week.
- 7. OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Retreat Scheduled - Thursday, July 30th @ SUNY Ulster – Howard St. John Conference Room
Mr. Doyle stated the June date selected for our retreat was not viable so we have picked July 30th instead. Mr. Budziak asked to have an announcement or reminder sent out electronically. Mr. Doyle added he would like to hold the retreat between 6:30 and 9:00. Ms. Schwartz will locate a facilitator. The topic is generative discussion (goals, policy, mission, involvement, etc) and an agenda will be prepared by the July meeting. Mr. Doyle suggested having a portion of the meeting without staff though he would be available if requested.
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **Application for Greenway Compact Grant**
Ms. Schwartz stated we were approached by the Greenway to assist us in moving forward. They have offered for us to apply for another \$50,000. The work involves defining our priority growth areas more clearly. Ms. Schwartz said that anyone interested in showing their support should come to the Greenway meeting at Marist College on June 10th.

b. **AVR Project Presentation - Hudson Landing (2009-081 & 082 – City of Kingston, 2009-086 & 087 – Town of Ulster)**

Mr. Doyle described some of the preparation work. Ms. Cahill, City of Kingston Planning Director and Dan Simone of AVR Realty gave a slide presentation.

c. Environmental Notice Bulletin – *No Member Comment*

d. Zoning Referrals – *See Separate Zoning Minutes*

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm. Motion made by Ms. Elwell, seconded by Mr. Pritchard.