STONY POINT TOWN BOARD MEETING - JULY 23, 2013

The Town Board of the Town of Stony Point convened in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Stony Point Community Center (Rho Building), 5 Clubhouse Lane, Stony Point, NY. Supervisor Geoffrey Finn called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Deputy Town Clerk Barbara Oyer called the following roll:

PRESENT: Mr. Karl Javenes Councilman

Mr. James McDonnell
Mr. James White
Councilman
Ms. Luanne Konopko
Councilwoman
Mr. Geoffrey Finn
Supervisor

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC INPUT

<u>Susan Filgueras</u> – 87 Mott Farm Rd. spoke about the Public Service Commission and Indian Point.

<u>Benjamin Reid</u> – Director of Rose Memorial Library announced an Artist Reception on August 9th at which time long-time town resident Joe Humphrey will show some of his original sketches.

<u>Frank Collyer</u> – 10 Knapp Rd. urged the Board to take another look at SPACE'S comments on the Master Plan prior to voting on it.

<u>Jeff Grossin</u> – 6 Hoke Dr. spoke regarding privacy in his back yard and the new construction at the shopping center next door.

<u>Supervisor Finn</u> advised that the town will do whatever can legally be done to insure any eyesores will be eliminated.

<u>George Potanovic</u> – 597 Old Gate Hill Rd. spoke regarding the project at the shopping center and re-use of an existing building.

<u>Laura Passarelli</u> – Hoke Dr. spoke about privacy issues with the commercial property next to her street.

PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST - None

AUDIT OF BILLS

<u>Barbara Oyer</u>, Deputy Town Clerk, presented the following bills to the Town Board for audit and a motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilwoman Konopko and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the bills as presented for payment.

Contractual General – July

FUND	CLAIM #	BILL TOTAL		FUND TOTAL	
General	Special Voucher	\$	400.00	\$	400.00

Minutes – None

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Finn spoke on the following:

- Attended Rockland County Supervisors' meeting
 - Working on a plan of action against United Water's proposed rate increase
- Working on a Hazard Mitigation Grant letters of intent are due on August 1st
- Working on updating bathrooms in Rho through grants received from the Office of Community Development.

- Will be going to bid for the work
- Joe Abate from the Rockland County Office of Community Development will be leaving that position for a position in the State Office of Community Development. The Town of Stony Point has been fortunate to have Mr. Abate to work with and will continue to enjoy that relationship on a state basis.
- In response to the devastation from Superstorm Sandy, a committee has been formed under the New York State Rising Community Reconstruction Program consisting of homeowners, local business people, and local and state representatives. Under this program Stony Point will be eligible to receive up to \$3 million to rebuild infrastructure, after proposing reconstruction plans to make it more storm-resilient.
- Will be meeting with the State this week in regard to the Rt. 9W/Main Street intersection.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT/BUSINESS

Chief Brian Moore reported as follows:

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – PBA – SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman McDonnell and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of those board members present to authorize the Supervisor to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Stony Point and the PBA regarding shift differential.

CONSOLIDATION OF PBA MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING

Special Counsel, Chief Moore and the PBA are working to consolidate all of the PBA Agreements/Memorandums of Understanding from 2004 to present. Process is nearing completion and will be presented to the Board shortly.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Konopko gave the following update:

- Assemblyman Skoufis is a sponsor on a bill to make Orange and Rockland Counties eligible for the Empire States Film Production tax credits, making us competitive with New York City.
- Thanks to Frank Collyer, Barnaby Joyce and Bill Sheehan for their help with the flow chart "Going To the Planning Board", which simplifies the process of appearing before the Planning Board. This will be posted on the Town website.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

ZONING RELIEF ACT AND ADVISORY BASE FLOOD ELEVATION NUMBERS

Supervisor Finn and Special Counsel Brian Nugent briefly described the process to be followed in regard to accepting the new base flood elevation numbers. No action was taken on this matter at this time.

RETIREMENT PAYOUTS

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman McDonnell, and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the retirement payouts for Sgt. Ed Schoales and Stephen Derosa as submitted by the Financial Director.

DISCUSS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

This item was tabled to the August 13, 2013 Town Board meeting.

LOWER SPEED LIMIT – CENTRAL DRIVE

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman McDonnell, and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A
REQUEST TO NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
TO REDUCE SPEED LIMIT ON PORTION OF CENTRAL DRIVE

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Stony Point is desirous of ensuring the safety of Town Highways and establishing appropriate speed limits upon such highways: and

WHEREAS, the section of Central Drive (also known as County Route 106) from Liberty Drive (SR 9W) to the approximate area of Anna Court ("Highway") is currently a posted 40 MPH speed limit; and

WHEREAS, a map annexed hereto identifies the existing section of Central Drive and is made a part of the Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police of the Town of Stony Point has reviewed the Highway and based upon the conditions existing in and about such Highway, recommends that such 40MPH speed limit be reduced to 30 MPH; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York State Vehicle & Traffic Law, Section 1622, a request to modify the speed limit on a Town Highway requires a joint written request for such action to be submitted by the Town Board of the Town of Stony Point and the Rockland County Superintendent of Highways to be submitted to the New York State Department of Transportation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that

- 1. The above Whereas clauses are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. The Town Clerk and Town Special Counsel are hereby authorized to prepare and forward this Resolution and other necessary documents to the Rockland County Superintendent of Highways for processing and submission of the request to lower the highway speed limit to the New York State Department of Transportation.
- 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Javenes and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to adjourn the July 23, 2013 Stony Point Town Board meeting at 7:50 pm for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

RECONVENE

At 8:20 pm a motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Javenes and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to reconvene the July 23, 2013 Town Board meeting.

EXTENDED SICK LEAVE REQUEST

A motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman Javenes, and unanimously carried by a voice vote of all board members present to approve extended sick leave at half pay pursuant to the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement for a certain Parks Department employee, per the employee's request, from July 12 through August 13, 2013 at which time the extended sick leave approval shall be reevaluated by the Town Board.

ADJOURN

At 9:30 pm a motion was made by Supervisor Finn, seconded by Councilman McDonnell and **unanimously carried** by a voice vote of all board members present to adjourn the July 23, 2013 Stony Point Town Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted - Joan Skinner - Town Clerk