

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – DECEMBER 16, 2010

The Special Board meeting of the Town Board of St. Armand was held on the above date at the Town Hall, Bloomingdale, NY.

PRESENT: Supervisor Joyce W. Morency, Deputy Supervisor Samuel A. Grimone, Councilmen Earl J. Dakin, Thomas C. Jones, and Paul Woodruff. Town Clerk Cynthia A. Woodson. Bart Crary, Water & Sewer Superintendent.

GUESTS: Sandy Hayes, Vic Putnam and Anna Reynolds from Essex County Planning, AES Northeast Project Jennifer Baschmann, Diane Perley from Rural Communities Assistance Program.

Supervisor Morency called the Special Board meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Mr. Putnam stated that the meeting is to respond to the D.E.C. consent order and the timeline provided by Todd Hodgson from AES Northeast. Mr. Dominic Fontana, from the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation in Ray Brook is unhappy with the timeline put forth from Mr. Hodgson's report. Vic called Dominic and asked to meet to review the recommendations. He stated that Dominic asked why the timeline is stretched for so long. Dominic did not want to meet until after a response to the letter sent dated November 17, 2010. Dominic told Vic that there will need to be new plans for entire system before any designs can be submitted. Vic stated that Todd wants a response to Dominic's timeline. It was Dominic's response to Todd's proposals and Todd did not like his.

Ms. Baschmann stated that the timeline as is is to help with funding and construction. Ms. Baschmann stated that Todd's schedule is contingent on getting funding for the middle of 2011 and have construction for 2011 to 2013. Councilman Grimone asked about a detail outline of funding in the past. Mr. Putnam stated that we can apply for a loan up to 30 years interest free. Supervisor Morency stated that it would be a great hardship on the people as they are still paying for the old debt.

Mr. Crary stated that the pump station needs to get fixed. Councilman Jones asked why we haven't implemented the improvements for the pump station. Councilman Grimone stated that Mr. Fontana's letter is the next step for response and to set up a meeting with him. Ms. Diane Perley stated that the survey will have to be re-done and still get the 51 percentage that is needed for the \$600,000 grant. She stated that May 27, 2011 is when the application has to be in. The survey will be good for two years after submitted. Mr. Putnam will revise another letter to Mr. Fontana and set up a meeting with the Department of Environmental Conservation.

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, and seconded by Councilman Grimone, to adjourn the Special Board meeting at 6:35 p.m.

I, Cynthia A. Woodson, Town Clerk for the Town of St. Armand, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct transcript of the Special Board meeting minutes held on the above referenced date.

Cynthia A. Woodson
St. Armand Town Clerk