Weekly Town Board Meeting July 31, 2013

The Town Board of the Town of Philipstown held their Weekly Meeting on the above date at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 238 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York.

PRESENT:

Richard Shea Supervisor
Nancy Montgomery Councilwoman
David Merandy Councilman

ABSENT: Betty Budney Councilwoman

John Van Tassel Councilman

AGENDA

1. Resolution authorizing Supervisor Shea to accept funds from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for the Hudson Highlands/Fjord Trail in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.00

RESOLUTION #99-2013

The following Resolution was presented by Councilwoman Montgomery, seconded by Councilman Merandy:

RESOLVED, that Richard Shea, as Supervisor of the Town of Philipstown, is hereby authorized and directed to accept funds from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in accordance with the provisions of (Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993) in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.00, and enter into and execute a project agreement with the State for such financial assistance to this Town of Philipstown for the Hudson Highlands/Fjord Trail and, if appropriate, a conservation easement/preservation covenant to the deed of the assisted property.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Supervisor Shea AYE
Councilwoman Budney ABSENT
Councilwoman Montgomery AYE
Councilman Van Tassel ABSENT
Councilman Merandy AYE

Resolution unanimously passed.

2. Resolution authorizing Supervisor Shea to sign the grant application and commit to in-kind services not to exceed \$15,000.00 in support of the Hudson Highlands/Fjord Trail Project.

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RESOLUTION #100-2013

The following Resolution was presented by Councilman Merandy, seconded by Councilwoman Montgomery and unanimously carried;

WHEREAS, the need for formalized parking and safe pedestrian access along the Route 9D corridor is well established; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Philipstown reaffirms recommendations made in the 2006 Comprehensive Plan for greater and safer pedestrian and bicyclist connections within and extending from the Town; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the Hudson Highlands/Fjord Trail are improved public health and safety, increased commerce and inter-municipal cooperation and expanded handicap access to the beauty of the Hudson; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Philipstown recognizes and supports the above stated goals and objective; and

WHEREAS, once funding has been secured for the project that the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act will be followed and adhered to.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Philipstown hereby authorizes Supervisor Shea to sign the grant for the Hudson Highlands/Fjord Trail; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Philipstown hereby commits to in-kind services and/or cash not to exceed \$15,000.00 in support of the Hudson Highlands/Fjord Trail Project.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilwoman Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Councilman Merandy to close the Weekly Meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tina M. Merando Town Clerk