

Draft Resolutions - 10/20/2011 Town Board Meeting

1. ZRC Package 2 Adoption:

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD FOR THE Town of Ancram

In the Matter of the Adoption of the

Town of Ancram Zoning Law Amendments Section XIII (Site Plan Review) and Section V (I) Open Space Conservation Subdivisions

WHEREAS, the Town of Ancram adopted a Comprehensive Plan, which is a statutorily recognized instrument under Town Law §272-a for the immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development in a Town; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Ancram Comprehensive Plan encourages the Town to improve its zoning ordinance to be more effective and efficient; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ancram Town Board, created the Ancram Zoning Revisions Committee to draft changes to the Ancram Zoning Ordinance as recommended in the Town of Ancram Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Ancram Zoning Revisions Committee after careful review, prepared these draft amendments to the Zoning Ordinance in accordance with the adopted Town of Ancram Comprehensive Plan with the assistance of a professional planner and attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the draft amendments to new Section XIII (Site Plan Review) and Section V(I) (Open Space Conservation Subdivision) and submitted it to the Town of Ancram Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Conservation Advisory Council for advisory opinions, and conducted a public hearing thereon; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Ancram has caused to be prepared a Long Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) pursuant to the mandates of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (ECL Article 8 and 6 NYCRR Part 617); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has duly considered the contents of the EAF and completed Parts 2 thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has identified the relevant areas of environmental inquiry and taken a hard look at them; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has issued a negative declaration under SEQRA thereby complying with the mandates of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has completed requirements of NYS General Municipal Law 239-m by forwarding a copy of the draft plan to the Columbia County Planning Department and waiting 30 days for their response.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE
TOWN BOARD OF ANCRAM, COLUMBIA COUNTY, NEW YORK:

THAT THE Town Board of the Town of Ancram hereby adopts the Town of Ancram amendments to the Zoning Ordinance new Section XIII (Site Plan Review) and Section V(I) Open Space Conservation Subdivision); and

THAT THE Town Board shall enter these amendments into the minutes of the Town Board and shall publish a summary or abstract of these amendments once in the official newspaper of the Town; and

THAT THE Town Board instructs the Town Clerk of the Town of Ancram to maintain a file in her office in the Town Hall to contain all parts of these amendments; and

THAT THE Town Board ensure that all parts of these amendments be posted on the Town's website; and

THAT THE Town Board cause affidavits of the publication and posting of the amendments be filed with the Town Clerk.

Motion Made by:

Motion Seconded by:

Vote:

_____Yea

_____No

- 2. County Route 7 Speed Limit Reduction from 55 to 45 mph:** Whereas the Town of Gallatin has requested that the Town of Ancram submit a request to the County and State to reduce the speed limit on that portion of CR 7 in Ancram which is currently posted at 55 mph to 45 mph, and whereas the Ancram Town Board believes this speed limit reduction will be in the best interests of public health and safety, therefore it is resolved that the Ancram Town Board authorizes the Ancram Town Supervisor and Ancram Town Clerk to submit the necessary applications and paperwork to the County and State to initiate the process to reduce the speed limit on CR 7 from 55 to 45 mph.

- 3. Online Tax Bill County chargeback:** Whereas the County Department of Real Property has recommended that all towns in Columbia County post their property tax payments on line and make this information available to the public via the town and county web site, and whereas the County Board of supervisors has authorized the payment of the costs for this service to be handled as a county chargeback, therefore the Ancram Town Board authorizes the Ancram Town Supervisor to enter into a chargeback agreement with the County Treasurer to add a one time charge of approximately \$1100 to the County Tax levy for the Town of Ancram for the set-up of this online tax payment system, and to charge approximately \$200 per year via the chargeback system for the ongoing maintenance of the online property tax payment system.

- 4. Rescue Squad County chargeback:** Whereas the Columbia County Board of supervisors has authorized Towns in the county to use the county chargeback system to pay for their EMS services, and whereas the Ancram Town Board wishes to participate in this county chargeback payment process for EMS services, therefore it is resolved that the Ancram Town Supervisor is authorized to enter into a chargeback agreement with the County Treasurer on an annual basis to authorize the County Treasurer to pay the annual costs of the community rescue squad which serves the residents of the Town of Ancram and add those costs to the annual County tax levy charged to the taxpayers of Ancram, provided that the town of Ancram continue to negotiate the cost of rescue squad services, and provided that the amount of the rescue squad services budgeted for 2012 and added to the county tax levy be reduced from the 2012 Town tax levy.

- 5. Appointment of Planning Board/ZBA Secretary:** Resolved that Naomi Davies be appointed as the Planning Board and ZBA secretary, effective 9/15/11.