

Draft Resolutions - Ancram Town Board Meeting – 11/15/2012

34. Adoption of 2013 Town Budget: Whereas the Ancram town Board has reviewed and approved the Tentative and Preliminary 2013 Town Budgets, and whereas the proposed 2013 budget presented for adoption has not changed in any material ways from the previously approved 2013 Preliminary Budget, and whereas the proposed 2013 Budget provides adequate funds for the Town to operate during 2013 while reducing town property taxes by 4%, therefore it is resolved that the proposed 2013 Town of Ancram Budget be adopted, and it is further resolved that the Ancram Town Supervisor will deliver this budget to the County Treasurer before November 20, 2012, that the Adopted 2013 Budget be posted on the Town website and that the Town Clerk have copies of the 2013 Adopted Budget available for members of the community who want a hard copy of this budget.

35. Rescue Squad Chargeback: Resolved that the Ancram Town Supervisor is authorized to sign an agreement with the County of Columbia Treasurer whereby the County of Columbia will pay on behalf of the Town of Ancram the sum of \$89,275 to the Claussen-Raught Community Rescue Squad, and raise this sum as part of the County's 2013 tax levy on the Town of Ancram.

36. Health Insurance Program: Resolved that the Town of Ancram will offer health insurance to all qualifying full time employees through a CDPHP High Deductible EPO Plan with a \$2500 per person deductible, which will in total, cost the town less than \$5500 per employee, and will include a \$750 per employee health savings account contribution, and payments not to exceed \$1000, if necessary, through a health care reimbursement account to cover employee's out of pocket costs between \$1500 and \$2500. It is further resolved that qualifying highway department retirees and their spouses will be offered either a direct pay CDPHP Medicare Advantage Plan or the regular employee CDPHP Plan with a cost to the Town not to exceed \$5500 per retiree, which will include covering the cost of the insurance policy premium and the cost to close the Medicare drug "donut hole". It is further resolved that that any qualified employee or retiree who declines health care insurance will be given a health insurance buyout payment totaling \$300 per month.

37. SEQRA Package 4 Lead Agency Declaration:

**Resolution of the Town of Ancram Town Board
Intent to be Lead Agency and Identification as a Type I Action
Action: Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Package 4**

Date: November 15, 2012

WHEREAS, the Town of Ancram adopted a Comprehensive Plan in 2010 pursuant to Town Law 272-a; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board appointed a Zoning Revisions Committee and tasked them to draft amendments to the Town of Ancram Zoning Ordinance consistent with the adopted Comprehensive Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Revisions Committee developed such language with the aid of consultants and legal counsel, and subsequently submitted such language to the Town Board for review and adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) 6 NYCRR Part 617 and has determined that the action is subject to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action will not require permits and approvals from any other local, regional and State agencies prior to adoption of the plan and is therefore not a coordinated review; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that proposed action is a Type I Action, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) 6 NYCRR Part 617.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the applicable standards of SEQRA 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Town of Ancram Town Board concludes that it is the appropriate agency to serve as, and declares itself lead agency for the environmental review of the proposed Type I Action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Ancram Town Board hereby authorizes development and circulation of a copy of the Full Environmental Assessment Form pursuant to the requirements set forth in SEQR 6 NYCRR Part 617.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign the Full Environmental Assessment Form.

WHEREUPON, this Resolution was declared adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Ancram:

The motion was moved by _____.

The motion was seconded by _____.

38. ZRC package 4 - SEQRA Negative Declaration: RESOLUTION

ANCRAM TOWN BOARD

NEGATIVE DECLARATION - TYPE I ACTION – Package 4

DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2012

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Ancram (“Town Board”) duly appointed a Zoning Revisions Committee to implement, in part, the Town Comprehensive Plan through zoning ordinance amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Revisions Committee developed Package 4 of a set of proposed amendments to address the recommended strategies of the adopted Comprehensive and subsequently submitted them to the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has submitted the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendments to the Columbia County Planning Board as required by NYS General Municipal Law 239-m and the proposed action does not require any other permits or approvals from other State and Federal agencies prior to adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board declared itself Lead Agency and conducted an environmental assessment according to SEQRA, 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, after consideration of the Full Environmental Assessment Form Part I and Part II finds that the proposed amendments will benefit the environment and not cause adverse impacts as they:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Ancram Town Board hereby declares that adoption of the Zoning Ordinance Amendments described herein, will not have any significant adverse environmental impacts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes filing of a negative declaration (attached hereto), according to SEQRA, 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute the Full Environmental Assessment Form.

WHEREUPON, this Resolution was declared adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Ancram:

The motion was moved by _____.

The motion was seconded by _____.

617.21
Appendix F
State Environmental Quality Review
NEGATIVE DECLARATION
Notice of Determination of Non-Significance

Date: November 15, 2012

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Town Board of the Town of Ancram, as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Name of Action: Adoption of the Town of Ancram Updates to the Zoning Ordinance, Package 4

SEQR Status: Type I
Unlisted

Conditioned Negative Declaration: Yes
 No

Description of Action: Adoption of an updated Town of Ancram Zoning Ordinance governing the use of land in the Town of Ancram.

Location: Town of Ancram, Columbia County: The law covers the entire acreage located within the municipal boundary of the Town.

SEQR Negative Declaration

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Reasons Supporting This Determination:

(See 617.6(g) for requirements of this determination; see 617.6(h) for Conditioned Negative Declaration)

The Town Board of the Town of Ancram has determined that the Adoption of the Town of Ancram Zoning Update, as described on Page 1 of this Negative Declaration, will have no adverse environmental impacts as per 617.7 of 6 NYCRR Part 617 (SEQRA). The Board has compared the proposed action (the Adoption of the Law) against the criteria listed in 617.7 (c) (i – xii) and has considered the potential long-term, short-term, direct, indirect and cumulative impacts as per 617.7 (2) and has also assessed the likely consequence of the action in connection with the criteria of 617.7 (3) (i-vii). Based on this assessment and review, the Board has determined that no negative impacts will occur as a result of the adoption of the updated Town of Ancram Zoning Ordinance. The Town Board finds that adoption of the updated Zoning Ordinance is consistent with the Town’s adopted Comprehensive plan, promotes land uses which are consistent with the Town’s goals and the environment, and establishes a careful review and approval process for all land uses that incorporates environmental protection to a high degree. The Board finds that this amendment will:

The Town Board recognizes that future growth and development in the Town of Ancram could adversely impact the environment. The primary purpose of enacting these amendments is to better control that growth, and to ensure that it is done in a manner that protects the environment. These amendments to update the zoning ordinance will minimize impacts compared to if no action is taken because of the comprehensive development standards included. The Board finds that the amendments are more protective of the environment than the current law. Thus, adoption of the zoning itself will have no adverse environmental impacts. There will be no substantial adverse change in air or water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels, solid waste production, or an increase in erosion and flooding and there will be adequate controls to prevent impairment of Ancram’s community character. As future proposals come before the Board, individual SEQR procedures will take place.

For Further Information:

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For Type I Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a Copy of this Notice Sent to:

✓ Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, 4th Floor, Albany, New York 12233-1750

✓ Appropriate Regional Office of the Department of Environmental Conservation

✓ Office of the Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the action will be principally located.

Applicant (if any)

Other involved agencies (if any)