

To: Ancram Town Board
From: Art Bassin
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Subject: Supervisor's Report



1. Financial Report – Another normal month. Received sales tax of \$70,000 for 4Q16 from the County, and an additional \$57,000 in culvert grant funds. Cash on hand at month end was \$1.589.

2. Highway

a. Houghtaling Property – Highway Superintendent Jim Miller has received a quote for total demolition of this property assuming asbestos of \$21,500. Recommend we accept this proposal.

b. Hall Hill culvert – We have started planning for the implementation of the Hall Hill culvert, which will be done next summer. Hall Hill will be a concrete culvert installation similar to the Pat's Rd project.

c. Snyder Rd - We are in the process of comparing the DEC recommended open bottom concrete culvert solution against a larger pipe option. Jim Miller favors using a larger pipe, as the Highway Department will be able to do the work in less time (a few days) and at a lower cost (probably under \$5000) than if we install another concrete culvert using outside resources at a cost of over \$100,000 and two to three weeks of work.

d. Culvert Committee – Colleen Lutz will be giving us an update at the 3/16 TB meeting on progress to date, where things are and what the plans are going forward.

e. Dirt roads – Weather related damage to some dirt roads has been severe in the last 60 days. If the weather pattern of the last few months persists and we get snow followed by warm winter weather, the only way to keep some of our dirt roads passable may be to pave them.

3. Planning/Zoning Alternate law – Public hearing scheduled for **3/16 at 6.45. We** will consider it for adoption in April or May after County Planning Board review.

4. National Historic District Designation – Ancramdale process will start in the next month or so.

5. FAC Audit – FAC should complete its audit of 2016 town books and records by the end of March.

6. CSCTF - We have proposals to from the CSCTF to consider adopting an energy benchmarking policy, the NYS unified solar permit process and provide energy code training to the Building Department and planning board staff & members.

7. County – Priorities include broadband expansion, housing, opioid epidemic, CGCC plan, fire training facility, new sewer line from Commerce Park to Greenport. County financial situation appears to be getting stronger.