

Village Board Work Session  
February 2, 2009

Members present: Mayor Weinberger, Trustees Bloom, Fast, Higgins, and Mattheus.

Also present: Superintendent Nuzzolese and Village Clerk Strobl.

Mayor Weinberger called the Work Session to order at 7:04 p.m. and asked those present to join him in a moment of silence to honor the memory of recently deceased resident Steve Bogart.

Mayor Weinberger made the following addition to the agenda: CRV Well Project – Alpine Environmental Consultants letter of December 17, 2008 to Mayor and Trustees re. SEQR Lead Agency, as requested by Trustee Mattheus.

#### Village Court Petty Cash Fund

Mayor Weinberger reviewed Judge Cione's request to establish a petty cash fund for the purpose of making change, and Attorney Donovan's review letter, including Section 5-526 of *Village Law*. Following discussion, Mayor Weinberger stated that he will have Attorney Donovan draw up a Resolution for the next regular meeting.

#### GML Section 239 Resolution

Mayor Weinberger read a letter from the Supervisor of the Town of Blooming Grove, Supervisor of the Town of Woodbury, Mayor of the Village of Washingtonville, and Mayor of the Village of Chester, which requested the Board adopt a Resolution in support of compliance with the provisions set forth in General Municipal Law Section 239 – l, m, and n.

In discussing the issue, the Board reached consensus that no action need be taken as the Village is already in compliance with GML 239, and that the County needs to enforce its own laws.

#### Water Supply at Wastewater Treatment Plant

Trustee Fast reviewed the issue of lack of sufficient water to the centrifuge at the plant, and a proposal from HDR for design of the storage tank. A discussion revealed that most of the work could be done "in-house", but that as the right water volume and pressure are essential, the design would need to be done professionally.

It was agreed that Trustee Fast and Superintendent Nuzzolese will get numbers together to present to the Board.

Trustee Mattheus expressed concern as to whether altering the original plan of the plant could jeopardize the Village in any way. Trustee Fast will review this with the Village Attorney.

## CRV Project

Trustee Mattheus read the following letter from Jim Ullrich, President, Alpine Environmental Consultants, Inc.:

*December 17, 2008*

*Dear Mayor Weinberger and Trustees:*

*Enclosed please find a draft Notice of Intent to Serve as SEQR Lead Agency for the combined CRV projects. The applications for the three elements of the CRV expansion and modification, the WSA for Well #2, the Pump House, and Directional Bore under the Wallkill River are proceeding and the SEQR process should be initiated so that the procedural aspects can keep pace with the technical ones. The SEQR documents for the three phases of the work are being prepared as one to streamline the process.*

*Please advise us as to when the Declaration has been made and circulated so we may track the time frames.*

Trustee Mattheus noted that the process of going forward with making the CRV wells a permanent source was imperative.

After much discussion, Mayor Weinberger stated that he was going to make four recommendations tonight, at the end of his report. Mayor Weinberger announced his "Special Report #2 – Crystal Run Village Water Improvement Project James Ullrich – Alpine Environmental Consultants, for: Water Commissioner-Trustee Marcia Berkman Mattheus and: Village Trustees Bloom, Fast, Higgins, Village Attorney David Donovan, Village Clerk Margaret Strobl; By: Bob Weinberger, Mayor of Goshen, February, 2009".

Mayor Weinberger stated that between 2000 and 2007 5.8 million dollars had passed through Alpine's vendor account, and 1.2 million dollars through Alpine for well development.

Trustee Higgins moved that the Board enter into Executive Session as the Mayor's report involved possible litigation. Trustee Mattheus seconded the motion. Mayor Weinberger stated that if the Board voted to go into Executive Session, he would stay and deliver his report.

Mayor Weinberger called the question, and a vote resulted as follows: 2 aye, 2 no.

Trustee Fast made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Trustee Higgins.

Mayor Weinberger stated that if there was an adjournment, he would stay to deliver his report.

Trustee Higgins stated for the record that whatever the Mayor was reading was his opinion, and not that of the Village Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m., with a vote as follows: 3 ayes, 1 no.