

**Town of Northumberland**  
**October 14, 2009**  
**Special Town Board Meeting**

The Special Town Board Meeting of the Northumberland Town Board was called to order @ 6:30 PM by Supervisor Willard Peck. Following the salute to the flag, roll call was taken. Those attending included Supervisor Willard Peck, Councilman George Hodgson and Councilwoman Patricia Bryant. Councilman Daniel Gale and Councilman Paul Bolesh were absent. Also attending were Town Clerk Denise Murphy and Town Attorney Douglas Ward.

Councilman George Hodgson stated that the next project at Hudson Crossing Park is the drilling of a well and underground power to the picnic pavilion sanitary facility which was constructed pursuant to Erie Canal Greenway Grant awarded to the Town of Northumberland in 2007. Canal Corp a Utility Lease Permit would be needed for the installation of a water well and underground power to service the sanitary facility located at Hudson Crossing Park at Lock C5. Councilman George Hudson provided Board Members with a Hudson Crossing Park proposed utility lease map. Councilman George Hodgson stated the Town may qualify for a UV treatment of the public water supply at Hudson Crossing Park before the December 1, 2009 deadline for such application. Councilman George Hodgson stated that the NYS Department of Health has informed him that EPA will no longer approve Ultra Violet Sanitation method after December 1, 2009. The system would need to be installed prior to the December 1, 2009 date in addition an application would need to be on the Department of Health's desk by that date. Councilman George Hodgson stated he is looking at a 25' wide easement along the existing County Route 32. Councilman George Hodgson prepared a New York State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k "Disclosure of Prior Non-Responsibility Determinations" form and a "Certificate of Compliance with the Authority/Corporation Guidelines Regarding Permissible Contacts During a Procurement and the Prohibition of Inappropriate Lobbying Influence" form for the Town Board's consideration. Attorney Douglas Ward explained both of these forms. Councilman George Hodgson stated he is looking for a fee waiver under the provisions of the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005. Otherwise the Town would need to pay for an appraisal, survey and a \$90.00 fee application. Councilman Hodgson feels the town will be granted the waiver. Councilman George Hodgson stated he has a description of the 25' as shown on the map entitled "Hudson Crossing Park Proposed Utility Lease Map. Councilman George Hodgson prepared a Full Environmental Assessment Form for the Town Board's consideration.

Councilman George Hodgson introduced Resolution #28 of 2009 –

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Northumberland is submitting a complete lease agreement requesting a lease for property owned by the NYS Canal Corporation which would be involved in providing a drilled well and underground power to the picnic pavilion sanitary facility which was constructed pursuant to Erie Canal Greenway Grant awarded to the Town of Northumberland in 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Northumberland believes this request, which will enhance the public’s sanitary utilization of the picnic pavilion at Hudson Crossing Park, is consistent with the exemption under the provisions of the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) the Town of Northumberland is submitting a draft EAF; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 6NYCRR 617.6 (b)(3) the town proposes that it should act as SEQRA Lead Agency for the purpose of this coordinated review,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town of Northumberland is asking NYS Canal Corp to notify the Town of Northumberland in a timely consideration of this lease request so the Town may qualify for UV treatment of this important public water supply at Hudson Crossing Park before the December 1, 2009 deadline for such application closes.

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”

Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant – “Aye”

Resolution #28 of 2009 – Adopted

Councilman George Hodgson made a motion @ 7:15 PM to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant made a motion @ 8:00 PM to reconvene the Regular Monthly Meeting. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Supervisor Willard Peck reported no action was taken during Executive Session.

Councilman George Hodgson made a motion @ 8:05 PM to adjourn the Special Town Board Meeting. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Murphy  
Town Clerk