

**City of Newburgh
Waterfront Advisory Committee**

The Newburgh Waterfront Advisory Committee (WAC) met at the Newburgh Heritage Center located at 123 Grand Street on Wednesday, January 19, 2011.

Present: Waterfront Advisory Committee Chairperson, Denise Ribble, Waterfront Advisory Committee Members, Brian Burke, Regina Dickerson, Gail Fulton, Amanda O'Neill, Adam Pollick

Excused: Mary McTamanev

Guests: Ian MacDougall (City Planner), Craig Marti (City Engineer)

Denise Ribble called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

I. Review & Approval of the Minutes of December 2010

The December minutes were reviewed by all committee members and amendments were made. Ms. O'Neill motioned to accept the December minutes with amendments, Mr. Burke seconded the motion and all were in favor.

II. New Business

A. South Street Park & Open Space Planning Grant

Mr. Marti reviewed and discussed the grant guidelines with the committee. He reported that the design for the First Street roadway is currently underway and that the Newburgh Landing dock needs to be addressed (this is included in the bond). Mr. Marti reported that the contract with the Department of State for the Scenic Hudson/Kaplan park project does not specify what portion of the money goes to what portion of the project, and that the matching funds are required for the "whole" project. Mr. Marti state that the contract requires a project advisory committee, and that he suggests the members are as follows: George Garrison (DPW), Craig Marti (City Engineer), Ian MacDougall (City Planner) or Ed Lynch (City), a member of the planning board, and a member of WAC. Mr. Marti reported that the responsibility of the City would be to select consultants for the landing fishing pier and South Street . Mr. Marti reported that there are three places in the contract where the Department of State and PAC are involved, including a public meeting where the designs for the project are shown and picked.

Mr. Marti reported that there was design work done last summer for the fishing pier project which was originally one project and turned into two. The city reconsidered the request and abandoned plans of the DOT to do the roadwork and the DOT funds for the project expired.

Ms. O'Neill reported that there is a hole in the dock that poses danger, as it is only marked with orange plastic netting and a child could fall through. Mr. Marti stated that he would notify George Garrison of this safety issue.

Mr. Marti reported that the time anticipation for the fishing pier project would be summertime and that the Newburgh Landing could potentially take longer depending on the sub-surface structure.

B. Consistency Review~Newburgh Yacht Club, Corps of Engineers Permit for Proposed Dredging

After review and discussion of the application, the WAC found inconsistencies in the plans. A completed consistency review form was sent to parties involved and recommendations were made (see attached).

C. Committee members~Resignation & New Chairperson Needed

Ms. O'Neill stated that she will officially resign from the WAC in June 2011 due to a planned move across the river.

Ms. Ribble reminded committee members that a new Chairperson or Co-Chairperson is needed for the WAC, and anyone interested should notify the Committee.

III. Old Business

A. Quassaick Creek

City Engineer Craig Marti was asked about current water supply situations in Newburgh. Mr. Marti reported that flow from the Quassaick Creek was stopped from entering Washington Lake via Patton Brook and the "Murphy's Ditch" gate.

Brown's Pond/Silver Stream Reservoir:

Mr. Marti reported that overflow from Brown's Pond is sent to the Newburgh water system via the Silver Stream Reservoir. The raw water main for that flow requires deliberate manual operation to pump directly from Brown's Pond when necessary to the filtration plant. That manual flow operation allows temporary bypass of Washington Lake as a water source in an emergency.

New Windsor water contract:

Newburgh currently sells water to the Town of Newburgh. The Town of Newburgh is under a consent decree to build its own filtration plant. Their design is complete and has been put out to bid.

B. Application Process~Joint Meeting of Boards Coordinated Review

Ms. Ribble mentioned that there could be coordinated reviews for certain projects with the planning and zoning boards, and Mr. Marti reported that he will review this possibility for greater efficiency.

C. Section 4 and LWRP Amendments

Mr. MacDougall reported that the City is supposed to submit a status report regarding this matter. He said that the first one was submitted the first week of January 2011, and that he used a summertime completion timeline when submitting the report. Mr. MacDougall also stated that an implementation plan must be submitted at the end of the project for reimbursement.

D. Lower Broadway & Transportation Plan

Mr. MacDougall reported that he will contact persons involved for an update.

E. Spud Docks/Newburgh Landing

Mr. MacDougall reported that there are two outstanding grants for this project. One is from 1999 for approximately \$10-15K that requires an audit, and the second is from 2006 for \$200K that requires matching funds. Mr. Marti stated that he will follow-up with Chris White regarding this.

F. Upcoming Reviews

The committee identified the following as up for review: South Colden-Ray Yannone, Brewery Project (Planning Board to refer to WAC), and the Newburgh Rowing Club

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.