

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES – PUBLIC HEARING - September 15, 2015
6:30 pm Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley - Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran, Chad Whitney – Council Members
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk

Others Present: Warren Bader - Town Attorney
Michael Parker – Barton & Loguidice
Amanda Kullman – Barton & Loguidice

CALL TO ORDER:

At 6:30 pm Mr. Mosley called the public hearing to order with the pledge of allegiance.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Parker was in attendance to give a presentation and answer questions on the proposed Bernhards Bay Water District. In 2011 the town board accepted a previous Map, Plan and Report to form the district, but no affordable funding offers were given so district was never formed. Since then more residents got petitions signed which added Johnson Rd., parts of Simmons Dr. and Lower Rd. to the current Map, Plan and Report. To increase our point score the Town and the Village submitted a joint project, in May the project received a funding package that is a 30 year loan at 0% interest. This is the same package that the North Shore Water District received. There are maps available for review, the Towns portion for this project is approximately \$4.7 million. The next steps after the public hearing:

- SEQR sent out in August after 30 days, Town of Constantia will be considered lead agency
- After the 30 days the district can be formed by order of the board, this action is subject to permissive referendum
- Bond resolution
- DWSRF funding application
- Design permit and construction

If all goes as planned, construction can start late 2016 into 2017.

Mr. Darrow – 407 State Route 49 asked if the Village is on board, Mr. Mosley responded that the village trustees plan on moving forward, they are having an informational session on September 22nd at 6pm.

Mrs. Meixell – 45 Winona Park Dr. asked why it is taking longer than a normal district. Mr. Colesante responded that the district just did not have enough points to get funding. A project needs to meet a point score on the Intended Use Plan that lists potential projects. The projects gets listed, the agency draws a line as to the amount of money that is needed vs how much they have to spend. If you are above the line you get an offer if not you have to wait.

Ms. Babcock – 46 Railroad St spoke in favor of getting water down her road, she had a house fire and feels having fire hydrants would have helped. Town need to keep moving forward.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Two letters received for tonight's meeting:

- Mr. and Mrs. Lance Kabott – 384 State Route 49 – for the water district formation
- Mrs. Mayes – 89 & 121 Lower Rd – against having Lower Rd added to the water district

Both letters can be seen in their entirety at the Town Clerk's office.

ADJOURN:

At 7:26 pm Mr. Metzger made the motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Whitney.

Carried: Moran – Yes Whitney – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Mosley - Yes