



## THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE NEW YORK

### COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**Monday, June 6, 2011 6:30 p.m.**

**City Hall**

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**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL**

**All Present**

**II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

**III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda.**

**IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Three (3) minutes per person up to 45 minutes of public comment on any agenda and non-agenda items.**

**Jeff Kosmacher 366 Hooker Avenue (Public Affairs Director, Vassar College)** – is here to celebrate the new Vassar Campus Bus Stop that will become part of the Poughkeepsie Bus system beginning next week. The city will see additional sales revenue that this stop will bring about each year. There are many people looking for a convenient link between the train station and Vassar Campus. This includes high school students who travel from around the world and around the country, also visitors to our museum, our Broadway shows. These people spend considerable money at Poughkeepsie hotels and restaurants. It will also create a great resource for Poughkeepsie residents looking to enjoy the campus whether for our museum or our powerhouse theater, our free concerts and lectures.

Sean Johnson 2 Oak Street – Is here for those whose lives were cut short before their time from violence. I received over 40 names of those who had been lost due to the senseless violence here, some of them I knew. It is very sobering when you think of all those gone never to return. Then you look at those who were responsible, there could be 2 or 3 connected to the homicide,

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they are also lost to us forever. Whenever anyone goes out to a public event or anything the number one thing you hear is be safe. Bullets have no names and cannot always strike the intended target and therefore there are innocent bystanders and realize the city can't do it all for us, and can only assist us. It begins with us, but many of us don't care we need to learn to love and respect each other, and pass that down to our children. I commend the council for its work with our youth; sadly some of the programs are struggling because of the budget cuts. I also realize you added a bunch of additional programs, excellent. We have to give our youth the very best now or deal with the repercussions later. So many are unaware of these programs, how can we get this information into the right hands? Perhaps flyers, posters, radio, billboards, I would love to in any way I can.

**Chris Petsas 36 Talmedge Street** – On May 26<sup>th</sup>, Richard Plass (Cowboy) well regarded at the exempt fireman's organization, a black male and a white woman broke into his home and put a gun to his head and a knife to his throat and cut him. He gave them what he had then they pistol whipped him in the head. Police were called, and identification was given as best he could. 2 days later the same couple broke into his house again. We tracked her down when we saw the woman walking by our club, the police were called and she was let go free. I thought for a moment is this the way we run our police department, and if this is how things are done there is no question why we have this level of crime we do in this city. I then called Councilman Coates, Councilwoman Flowers, Councilman Mallory; they got on the phone and asked the same thing and I was told the police would contact 'cowboy' within a week that had not been done. That is a slap in the face to 'cowboy', a 70 year old gentleman, and I hope this will open your eyes to this.

**Megan Rosenbach 201 ½ Mansion Street** – Was one of those who chased the woman suspect down, who was allowed to rob him 3 times. He is afraid to go home; no one should feel unsafe in their own home in their own town. I have never seen the police department let anyone go scot free because of a procedure like that after beating and robbing a man.

**Elizabeth Paris-Pryor 2288 New Hackensack Rd. Town of Poughkeepsie** – This crime can follow us to the town, it is not isolated, if they feel they can get away with robbing this man what makes them stop there if they keep getting away with this. I am very frightened and this is something that needs to be stopped. I know everyone wants to place blame but let's make a change.

**Constantine Kozalias 47 Noxon Street** – Today is D-day 1944, my brother was there. The 1<sup>st</sup> 3 waves went in when the tide was out and they all got wiped out. This Hoffman house has become a political football, kicking it down the street. The democrats voted against that sales tax twice when they were in control of the legislature. That was \$4 million the city didn't get, I always say follow the money. As far as police procedures, something doesn't sound right here.

**Robert Wright (Nubian Directions)** – We have tried to present a proposal to the city for beautifying Earlene Patrice park and Mansion Square park. We had wanted to situate planters there; I believe both councilman Mallory and Councilwoman Flowers are in support of the planters. I have some representations of the planters and you can look on. We had wanted to get these planters in place for the planting season. There were concerns by the veterans about

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planting edibles. The planters would be a safe distance for the lamp posts, and there would be no cost to the city for the labor as the youth build America program would supply that. We would be seeking \$2000 in material cost from the city in keeping with the gardening budget already in place. There would be flowers and edibles in keeping with the humanitarian efforts of Earline Patrice to feed the less fortunate. (Interrupted by Chairman Klein, to make a formal presentation to the council at a later date)

### V. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

**Mayor Tkazyik** - This past Saturday some great events took place w/in the city of Poughkeepsie, a workshop for public spaces hosted by the development office as the city received a \$100,000 department of state grant to connect Kale rock with Main Street, and how we can expand the 2 walkways. A lot of input was received from the Public. I attended the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the exempt fireman's association. It was a grand evening, hosted right in their back yard, and thank you. Being that they are here tonight for a member as soon as I heard about the situation I contacted the police department, this matter is an ongoing investigation it has been assigned to Sgt. Detective Matt Clark, I appreciate all members expressing their concern and if you have any details please contact the detective's office. The annual farmers market both on the walkway and in Pulaski Park it was attended by many with many new members. Would like to thank Poughkeepsie farm project. We will have a meeting about the crime in the 5<sup>th</sup> ward at the discretion of councilwoman Flowers on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and all the members of the are encouraged to attend, that will be at the public safety building. Also June 18<sup>th</sup> we will have the annual father's day parade, thank you John Flowers and his elves. Also thanks to deputy commissioner of Finance Karen Serrel and purchasing agent Barbara Lynch, the city just successfully completed a tri annual review with the FTA. These reviews are very intense and difficult and very long hours we put in to ensure the city is in compliance, when it comes to the transit in the city.

### VI. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

**Chairman Klein** - I had the pleasure to attend the workshop on public spaces, it was gratifying to see so much interest in our waterfront. We value our academic neighbors; Vassar College is an excellent resource and neighbor for the city. Also the ribbon cutting for the Poughkeepsie Farm Project at Pulaski Park. I want to assure the public the council takes the issue of public safety very seriously and we can assure you our concerns are focused on that. The police need specific evidence, and ids, and observations that is what makes cases, without prejudging anyone or anything.

### VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

**Commissioner of Finance Bunyi** – Introduces the resolution that the transit fund is a small proprietary fund for the city it has a budget of about \$1.4 million annually. And small compared to the total budget of \$68million the transit funds provide much of the necessary transportation for our citizens. The city has a ridership of 471,861 of which 68,180 are seniors 31,761 are physically challenged 49,032 are students. The bus system provides on-time reliable service, clean energy busses and defiantly quite affordable. Before you is the deputy commissioner Karen Surrell along with her is purchasing agent Barbara Lynch. They are here to present 2 very important resolutions to remain in compliance with the FTA, and they are necessary for aid from the federal government in operating our bus system.

**Deputy Commissioner Surrell** – This first resolution is amending the city purchasing policy. In the past we had adopted the original policy in January R-11-08 this is just adding the transportation of it to the prior resolution for our policies.

**RESOLUTION  
(R-11-55)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie hereby amends the purchasing policy previously adopted as Resolution R-11-08 on January 3, 2011 by incorporating the attached Federal Transportation Administration Guidelines for Procurement.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE**

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- 2. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

**Deputy Commissioner Surrall** – A few changes were needed in our transit policy with the controlled substance use and prevention program.

**R E S O L U T I O N  
(R-11-56)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City maintains and enforces an Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program and Controlled Substance Use Prevention Program pursuant to Federal Highway Regulations of the United States Department of Transportation (the “Program”); and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend the Program to comply with said regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie has determined that this resolution constitutes a Type II action as defined by the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and 6 NYCRR Part 617,

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the amended Program, in the form and substance annexed hereto, is hereby approved.

**SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE**

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**3. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

**Commissioner of Finance Bunyi** - Introduces the resolution as that Pat Shultz has retired after 37 years of dedicated service to the city of Poughkeepsie, overseeing the data collection of water and sewer funds. Currently identified as supervising data operator and her replacement be given

a new position while the county finalizes the title and position, be it temporarily called principal clerk to expedite the hiring of the replacement savings of \$7,481 annually.

**R E S O L U T I O N**  
**(R-11-57)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN**

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy will be created in the Finance Department by virtue of a retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioner of Finance has requested that upon the retirement of the Supervising Data Operator the position be replaced with a Principal Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, approval of this resolution will not result in a funding increase to the 2011 budget for the City of Poughkeepsie, but it is necessary to amend the 2011 budget to reflect the change of positions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie has determined that this resolution constitutes a Type II action as defined by the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and 6 NYCRR Part 617,

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie authorizes and approves the addition of the position to Principal Clerk and the deletion of the Supervising Data Operator upon the retirement of the current Supervising Data Operator; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2011 Budget for the City of Poughkeepsie is hereby amended as follows:

Budget Line	Description	# of Positions FROM	# of Positions TO:	Salary Grade
01.04.8310.7103	Principal Clerk	0	1	12
02.04.8310.7103				
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Commissioner of Finance be, and he hereby is authorized to make such technical adjustments and corrections he deems necessary to this resolution to carry out the intent of this Council.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE**

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**4. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

**Asst. Corp. Counsel Gildard** – Introduces the resolution as an update to amend the Poughkeepsie workplace violence policy enacted by the council in 2007. Includes the implementation of a reporting system and creation of a workplace violence advisory team to look at risk factors and provide recommendations on how to prevent future occurrences. This will put the policy in line with state regulations as required by the workplace violence protection act. This had been sent out to all department heads their recommendations were taken into account, the policy was developed and the police department played an active role as well.

**Councilwoman Solomon** – Asks who the point person will be she is answered by Mr. Gildard that that has yet to be determined and the Mayor will most likely set up the team. Also who many incidents has there been she is answered by Mr. Gildard that since he has been in his seat he has been aware of a handful, maybe 5.

**Councilman Mallory** – Will the team be on a rotating basis as to those who serve on it. He is answered by Mr. Gildard that there is no requirement for that one way or the other, once that team is in place it will be determined how they are functioning and time wise the ability to sit and meet. How did the state come down on us for these policies, was it from an audit or something of that sort? Answered by Mr. Gildard that no, over the last year or so the state had enacted new requirements and requires municipalities to be compliant with these new requirements. What about other municipalities? He is answered by Mr. Gildard that he specifically looked at Kingston and other police departments and those ideas were taken into account with this policy, as well as our old policy.

**Chairman Klein** – This was distributed to all department heads? Yes, a draft form was distributed; their comments were taken into account and are encompassed in the final draft.

**Mayor Tkazyik** – This was a discussion that came out at the department head meeting, Police Chief Knapp lead the charge on updating this policy with input from all the various department heads and that is why this is before the council this evening based on those meetings. We try to rotate the teams once every year as we do with the sexual harassment team.

**RESOLUTION  
(R-11-58)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN**

**Authorizing and Approving an Amended Work Place Violence Prevention Program**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Poughkeepsie is required by New York State to have a Work Place Violence Prevention Program in place; and

**WHEREAS**, the State has required certain new regulations governing Work Place Violence Prevention Programs throughout the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the annexed Work Place Violence Prevention Program meets these new requirements and is an effective policy fully satisfactory of State and City goals to promote a safer workplace,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE COMMON COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) The Work Place Violence Prevention Program, in substantially the same form and substance as attached hereto, is hereby authorized and approved.
- 2) The Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized and empowered to implement the Work Place Violence Prevention Program.
- 3) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE**

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**5. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

**Asst. Corp Counsel Ackermann** – Introduces the resolution as there are 2 matters pending in DC Supreme Court for 2009 and 2010, the city is anticipating filing a notice of petition for 2011. A settlement has been reached and the terms are before you.

**RESOLUTION  
(R-11-59)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER HERMAN**

**WHEREAS**, there are now pending in Dutchess County Supreme Court tax review proceedings commenced in the year 2009 and 2010 by Corlies Manor Realty, LLC against the City of Poughkeepsie seeking a reduction in the tax assessments for those years; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Assessor and Corporation Counsel recommend that settlement of these tax review proceedings on the terms and conditions set forth herein below;

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie hereby approves the settlement on behalf of the City of Poughkeepsie of the tax review proceedings by Corlies Manor Realty, LLC bearing Dutchess County Index Nos. 2009/5177 and 2010/5102 and reducing the assessments as set forth in the proposed Stipulation of Settlement annexed to this Resolution; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor, the City Administrator, the Commissioner of Finance, the City Assessor and the Corporation Counsel are hereby authorized to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution including but not limited to the execution of a Stipulation, the obtaining of an Order from the Dutchess County Supreme Court embodying the above settlement and a refund or crediting of tax payments all in accordance with the above authorized settlement.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARISE**

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**6. A motion was made by Councilmember Herman and seconded by Councilmember Parise to receive and print.**

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**Asst. Corp. Counsel Ackermann** – Introduces the resolution as the updated historic preservation ordinance along with a resolution that would set a public hearing the council would just need to make a determination on the date of this public hearing, on the recommendation of Corp. Counsel Morgan the first meeting in July. Attached to this is the SEQR.

**Mayor Tkazyik** – Just to inform the council that the first meeting in July we plan to roll out the 2012, 2016 capital plan. That could be lengthy as well as an update on the Dutton Lumber project.

**Chairman Klein** – Due to that let us have the public hearing set for July 11<sup>th</sup> 6pm.

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCING HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION LAW PROPOSAL  
AMENDING CHAPTER 19, ARTICLE IV  
SECTION 19-4.5  
RESOLUTION  
R-11-60**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that an introductory local law amending Chapter 19, Article IV entitled HISTORIC PRESERVATION to the City of Poughkeepsie Code of Ordinances, be and hereby is introduced before the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie in the County of Dutchess and State of New York; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law be laid upon the desk of each member of the Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council hold a public hearing for public comments on said proposed local law at City Hall, 62 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie, New York, at 6:00 o'clock P.M., on July 11, 2011; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Development Director refer the proposed local law to the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Planning Board for comment prior to the hearing; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proposed local law is a Type I action pursuant to 6NYCRR Part 617, the Common Council declares intention to act as Lead Agency and directs the Development Director to issue Notice of Intention of Lead Agency to potential involved agencies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chamberlain publish or cause to be published a public notice in the official newspaper of the City of Poughkeepsie of said public hearing at least ten (10) days prior thereto.

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On a motion by **Councilmember Herman**, seconded by **Councilmember Parise**, the resolution was adopted on a vote of **8 Ayes, 0 Nays**.

The Mayor declared this resolution adopted.

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**VII. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:**

**VIII. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL MORGAN**, a communication regarding amendments to the zoning code.

**Mayor Tkazyik** – Asked Counsel Morgan to draft this regarding the zoning code. He has briefed the council on that in regards to the 2 studies that are taking place. Once those are complete and the results available one by the Department of State and the other by the TOD, the council will get reports regarding the final draft and input.

- 2) FROM CIVIC PROPERTIES, INC.**, a notice of intent for the Mid-Hudson Civic Center to renew their Liquor License. Referred to the nuisance committee by Chairman Klein and Corporation Counsel accepts.
- 3) FROM RAFAEL CARRERA**, a notice of intent for Mariscos De Acapulco to renew its Liquor License. Referred to the nuisance committee by Chairman Klein and Corporation Counsel accepts.

**X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Councilmember Mallory** – We had tabled until today the no left hand turns on Parker. Some of the residents had no problem with the suggestion others were worried particularly about a time frame. He is answered by Mr. Ackermann that he had spoken to the police chief and he indicated that he was comfortable with setting time parameters around the no left turn onto parker. We will take a look at that and get back to the council next meeting.

**Councilmember Flowers** – Reminds the council about the community meeting that is set for June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the public safety building. In her area there have been a lot of issues with violence and crime. There have been complaints about how certain things were handled and this will be a good meeting to speak with the Chief and also with the Mayor, and encourages the council members to attend. Council Woman Solomon adds that Middle Main should also be invited.

**Councilmember Johnson** – Interestingly a Block Capitan who wants to stay anonymous and she won't give out the street for safety concerns, called terrified that some new people moved in and they are known for home invasion, drug dealing, and they are scared. It was reported to somebody and something inappropriate went on, therefore people are afraid now, they don't know who to report it to or who to trust. They figure they are putting their life on the line. She was told that these people who moved in are considered 'hard core' criminals. The Mayor advises the councilwoman to speak with Chief Knapp about this and she indicates that she has given Corporation Counsel the address.

#### **XI. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Mayor Tkazyik** – Councilman Mallory will take over this presentation but he just wanted to state that the administration supports this initiative by Nubian Directions and if you could take action tonight supporting this. Asst. Corp. Counsel Ackermann advises that if the council would like to support this initiative since the time to plant is now, a motion would need to be made and seconded and corporation counsel would make up the appropriate paperwork.

**Councilwoman Solomon makes a motion to support the Nubian Directions initiative in Earline Patrice Park and is seconded by Councilman Parise. All are in favor.**

**Councilmember Mallory** – To elaborate on the motion, concerning the veteran's monument and the VFW they were concerned with the edibles being planted. They don't mind flowers but are concerned about edibles around the monument. In collaboration with the Mayor, that was going to be discontinued, but edibles in other locations in the park are not a concern. And that is what you see today.

**Councilmember Johnson** - Thanks the city because on the arterial from Smith School to South Grand, the city property the landscape had been cleaned up this past weekend. There are 2 whisky barrel planters in my ward one at the entrance to Kings Street Park and the other at the tennis court and what does it take to get the city to put flowers in them? Two years ago I had volunteers plant in the park until one of them was stuck with a hypodermic needle. The Mayor answers her that the gardening team

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will get to each park. The councilwoman goes on to state that she has gotten people to adopt the medians on South Grand and that she herself has been on her knees gardening to keep the city looking nice.

**Councilmember Flowers** – Last Friday attended the scholastic basketball awards dinner it turned out well, 275 attended. All the students got trophy 178 of them. They were excited and can't wait until next season. She is thanked by the Chairman as is councilman Coates for their work as liaisons with the school board and their work on this project.

**Assistant Corporation Counsel Ackermann** - Councilman Mallory had sent an email with regard to the lot at N. Hamilton and Mansion Street, in doing some research had found that it is a city lot that is a permanent lot, however the parking department has not received any requests for permits for that lot and therefore never patrolled it. However, with the increased interest they will begin to patrol the lot. Please let the residents know that they will need to get permits to park there. We will give them a grace period and no commercial vehicles will be able to get a permit for that lot.

**Councilmember Johnson** – Has been getting calls from senior citizens on Fountain Place and Forbus. They are frightened that all the kids after school are fighting on their block. Is it possible to get a police car there? She is answered by the Mayor that he will talk with Capitan Pape on the issue.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Councilman Coates and seconded by Councilmember Herman moved to adjourn meeting at 8:10pm.

**Dated: December 12, 2011**

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Monday, June 6, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Deputy City Chamberlain**



**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**

Common Council Chambers

Monday, June 6, 2011

6:30 p.m.

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL**

**III. REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

**IV. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed on the printed agenda.**

**V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Three (3) minutes per person up to 45 minutes of public comment on any agenda and non-agenda items.**

**VI. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

**VII. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

**VIII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- 1) FROM DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE SORRELL,**  
Resolution R11-55, amending the existing purchasing policy to incorporate the FTA procurement policy.
- 2) FROM DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE SORRELL,**  
Resolution R11-56, updating the current City of Poughkeepsie drug and alcohol policy to update provisions of the FTA Drug and Alcohol Policy.

- 3) **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BUNYI**, Resolution R11-57, reclassifying the position of data entry supervisor to principal clerk pursuant to Dutchess County Civil Service.
- 4) **FROM ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL GILDARD**, Resolution R11-58, accepting the revised Workplace Violence Policy.
- 5) **FROM ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL ACKERMANN**, Resolution R11-59, approving a settlement of a tax certiorari proceeding with Corlies Manor Realty, LLC.
- 6) **FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL MORGAN**, Resolution R11-60, setting a public hearing regarding proposed changes to the historic ordinance.

**IX. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:**

**X. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) **FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL MORGAN**, a communication regarding amendments to the zoning code.
- 2) **FROM CIVIC PROPERTIES, INC.**, a notice of intent for the Mid-Hudson Civic Center to renew their Liquor License.
- 3) **FROM RAFAEL CARRERA**, a notice of intent for Mariscos De Acapulco to renew its Liquor License.

**XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS:**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT:**