



SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE
Planning, Environmental Management and Real Property Committee
Thursday, January 14, 2016 ~ 1:00 PM

Committee Members: Alan Sorensen (Chair); Catherine Owens (Vice Chair); Joe Perrello, Ira Steingart & Nadia Rajsz

AGENDA

PRESENTATIONS: None

DISCUSSION:

1. O&W Feasibility Study

RESOLUTIONS:

COUNTY ATTORNEY - None

COUNTY TREASURER – None

PLANNING –

1. To Authorize Application for Funding From the New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets for a 2015 Hudson Valley Agricultural Enhancement Program Grant.

REAL PROPERTY – None

DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM UPDATES AND REPORTS:

County Attorney: - None
County Treasurer: - Update on Current Issues
Real Property: - Monthly Deed and Subdivision Report

DIVISION DISCUSSION ITEMS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

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**COMBINED: LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM,
CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS
AND RESOLUTION COVER MEMO**

To: Sullivan County Legislature

Fr: Melinda Meddaugh, Agricultural Planner, Division of Planning & Env. Management

Re: Request for Consideration of a Resolution: NYS AG & Markets Farmland Protection
Implementation Grant Proposal

Date: December 3, 2015

Purpose of Resolution: [Provide a detailed statement of what the Resolution will accomplish, as well as a justification for approval by the Sullivan County Legislature.]

To authorize the County of Sullivan to submit a grant to NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets for the protection of 2 farms in the Town of Bethel and if awarded, to enter into a contract with NYS and to co-hold the conservation easement with a local land trust.

Is subject of Resolution mandated? Explain:

No

Does Resolution require expenditure of funds? Yes ___ No

If "Yes, provide the following information:

Amount to be authorized by Resolution: \$ _____

Are funds already budgeted? Yes ___ No ___

If "Yes" specify appropriation code(s): _____

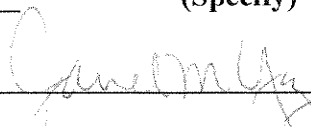
If "No", specify proposed source of funds: _____

Estimated Cost Breakdown by Source:

County \$ _____ **Grant(s)** \$ _____

State \$ _____ **Other** \$ _____

Federal Government \$ _____ **(Specify)** _____

Verified by Budget Office: _____ 

Does Resolution request Authority to Enter into a Contract? Yes No ___

If "Yes", provide information requested on Pages 2. If "NO", please go straight to Page 3 and acquire all pre-legislative approvals.

Request for Authority to Enter into Contract with [_____] of
[NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets _____]

Nature of Other Party to Contract: ·

Other: Contract is from time
grant awarded until
closing of the easement

Duration of Contract: From _____ To _____

Is this a renewal of a prior Contract? Yes ___ No

If "Yes" provide the following information:

Dates of prior contract(s): From _____ To _____

Amount authorized by prior contract(s): _____

Resolutions authorizing prior contracts (Resolution #s): _____

Future Renewal Options if any:

Is Subject of Contract – i.e. – the goods and/or services Mandated? Yes ___ No

If "Yes" cite the mandate's source; describe how this contract satisfies the requirements:

If "No" provide other justification for County to enter into this Contract: [County does not have resources in-house, best source of the subject materials, required by grant, etc.]:

The County has the professional staff in house to provide the in-kind services necessary for the delivery of the contract terms.

Total Contract Cost for [year or contract period]: (If specific sum is not known state maximum potential cost): Contract is to purchase the Development Rights of 2 farms, based off an appraisal value.

Efforts made to find Less Costly alternative:

N/A

Efforts made to share costs with another agency or governmental entity:

The Delaware Highlands Conservancy will share the costs for in-kind services.

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures (Bid, Request for Proposal, Quote, etc.)

N/A

Person(s) responsible for monitoring contract (Title): Jill Weyer

Pre-Legislative Approvals:

- A. Director of Purchasing: *Cathy Jones* Date *1/4/16*
- B. Management and Budget: *Janet Myron* Date *1/12/16*
- C. Law Department: *[Signature]* Date *1-4-16*
- D. County Manager: *Paul Botwin* Date *1/4/16*
- E. Other as Required: _____ Date _____

Vetted in _____ Committee on _____

RESOLUTION NO. -15 INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & MARKETS FOR A 2015 HUDSON VALLEY AGRICULTURAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets invites applications to apply for the 2015 Hudson Valley Agriculture Enhancement Program grant; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management promoted the availability of the Farmland Protection Implementation Grant application through email, press release and direct mailings in a 2014 selection process; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board is a duly authorized committee of the Sullivan County Legislature and operates in accordance with N.Y. AGM. Law 25AA Section 302; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board received and scored six applications based off the program criteria at a special meeting on July 10, 2014. Of these six applications the farmland of Wilfred and Arlene Hughson, Swiss Hill Road, Jeffersonville, NY and the farmland Robert and Naomi Franklin, Happy Avenue, Swan Lake, NY ranked the highest; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board recommended the farmland of Wilfred and Arlene Hughson and the farmland of Robert and Naomi Franklin to be submitted for a funding request for the purchase of development rights on their farm, through the 2014 Farmland Protection Implementation Grant, based off their rankings and their competitive merit; and

WHEREAS, the County of Sullivan only submitted the application for the farmland of Robert and Naomi Franklin for the 2014 New York State Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Grant. However, the application was not awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board recommended re-submitting the application for the farmland of Robert and Naomi Franklin and to submit the application for the farmland of Wilfred and Arlene Hughson for the 2015 Hudson Valley Agricultural Enhancement Program grant at their October 13, 2015 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the County of Sullivan has previously submitted Farmland Protection Implementation Grants and in previous years has agreed to serve as a co-holder of these agricultural conservation easement projects;

WHEREAS, the County of Sullivan, if awarded the contract, will co-hold the agricultural conservation easements with a qualified land trust for the farmland of Wilfred and Arlene Hughson and the farmland of Robert and Naomi Franklin; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager, Chairman of the County Legislature, and / or their authorized representative (*as required by the funding source*) to execute any and all necessary documents to submit the 2015 Hudson Valley Agricultural Enhancement Program grant application for funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager, and / or Chairman of the County Legislature (*as required by the funding source*) to accept the award, and enter into an award agreement or contract to administer the funding secured, in such form as the County Attorney shall approve; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Manager, and / or Chairman of the County Legislature (*as required by the funding source*) to apply for and accept this grant funding while also authorizing the Division of Planning and Environmental Management to administer this funding from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets and to provide the in-kind services necessary to administer this funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that should the 2015 Hudson Valley Agricultural Enhancement Program Grant funding be terminated, the County shall not be obligated to continue any action undertaken by the use of this funding.

Moved by _____, **seconded by** _____, put to a vote, unanimously carried and declared duly adopted on motion _____.

S.C.R.P.T.S. DEED/SUBDIVISION REPORT

MONTH OF December 2015			DEEDS		SUBDIVISION LOTS			
SUBDIVISION LOTS	DEEDS	TOWN	MONTH	2014	2015	2014	2015	
	26	BETHEL	JANUARY	228	236	8	0	
	16	CALLICOON	FEBRUARY	200	214	8	68	
	11	COCKECTON	MARCH	205	219	14	2	
	7	DELAWARE	APRIL	195	254	18	4	
8	34	FALLSBURG	MAY	194	249	4	7	
	8	FORESTBURGH	JUNE	394	272	12	4	
3	6	FREMONT	JULY	377	479	30	10	
	13	HIGHLAND	AUGUST	403	348	4	5	
	22	LIBERTY	SEPTEMBER	256	291	2	4	
	14	LUMBERLAND	OCTOBER	278	271	9	18	
	55	MAMAKATING	NOVEMBER	198	340	0	71	
	10	NEVERSINK	DECEMBER	291	298	74	68	
	20	ROCKLAND	TOTAL	3219	3471	183	261	
57	55	THOMPSON						
	1	TUSTEN						
68	298							
			3471 NEW DEEDS RECEIVED IN 2015					
			261 NEW SUBDIVISION LOTS FILED IN 2015					

This report reflects the number of deeds received for processing during December 2015.

57 units of the Subdivision lots total for December 2015 were Condos.

S.C.R.P.T.S. E-911 ADDRESS REPORT

MONTH OF		December	2015		NEW E-SITES ADDED		ADDRESS VERIFICATION & OTHER ISSUES	
NEW E-SITES ADDED	ADDRESS VERIFICATIONS ETC	TOWN	MONTH	2014	2015	2014	2015	
		BETHEL	JANUARY	2	69	14	11	
		CALLICOON	FEBRUARY	6	57	6	4	
		COCHECTON	MARCH	8	142	20	26	
	4	FALLSBURG	APRIL	13	14	8	10	
		FORESTBURGH	MAY	186	14	8	18	
		FREMONT	JUNE	82	13	11	13	
		HIGHLAND	JULY	36	13	28	15	
		LIBERTY	AUGUST	83	42	10	21	
	1	LUMBERLAND	SEPTEMBER	50	16	47	11	
	2	MAMAKATING	OCTOBER	12	12	46	12	
		NEVERSINK	NOVEMBER	11	16	9	18	
		ROCKLAND	DECEMBER	38	0	11	8	
	1	THOMPSON						
		TUSTEN						
		OUTSIDE CO.	TOTAL	489	408	218	167	
	8	408 New E-Sites added in 2015						
		167 Address verification, address changes, and other issues, 2015						

This report reflects the number of new E-Sites created in December 2015 as well as the # of address verifications, etc.
 Other issues include road renamed and address changes and corrections, etc.