# **REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

At 7:04 p.m., Supervisor Johnson called the regular meeting to order.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Johnson led the board and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### Roll Call

Roll Call by the Town Clerk showed all board members present, except Councilman Pulsifer, who was absent.

Arthur Johnson-Supervisor Raymond O'Conor-Deputy Supervisor Robert Rice-Councilman Charles Gerber-Councilman Robert Pulsifer- Councilman –Absent

Also present were: Town Comptroller Jeffrey Reale, Town Attorney Richard DeVall and Director of Planning and Engineering Keith Manz.

**Supervisor Johnson** asked everyone to join in a moment of silence in memory of PFC David Taylor Miller. He is the first Wilton resident and hopefully the last to be a casualty of war.

#### **Proclamation**

**Supervisor Johnson** read the proclamation in memory of PFC David Taylor Miller and asked the board to adopt it. He then stated that a memorial service will be held next Thursday in Saratoga Springs and will be presenting this proclamation to the family at that event.

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, America was founded on the principles of liberty, opportunity and justice for all, and we recognize the men and women of our Armed Forces who have valiantly defended these values throughout our Nation's history. These remarkable individuals have helped to make our Nation secure and to advance the cause of freedom worldwide. By answering the call of duty and risking their lives to protect their fellow countrymen, these patriots have inspired our Nation with their courage, compassion and dedication.

WHEREAS, **David Taylor Miller** born on Veteran's Day, November 11, 1990 in Lynchburg, Virginia, where he spent the majority of his life before moving with his mother, Leslie Miller, to the Town of Wilton in 2006, and

WHEREAS, **David Taylor Miller** Attended Saratoga Springs High School where he was an outstanding student, individual and athlete, and

WHEREAS, **David Taylor Miller** enlisted in the United States Army with the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division on July 27, 2009 and served our country honorably as a marksman during the war in Afghanistan reaching the rank of Private First Class, and was very proud to participate in the military, as did his father before him, and

WHEREAS, **David Taylor Miller's** military career was cut short however; he earned the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Weapons Qualification Badge and the Overseas Service Bar while serving our country, and WHEREAS, through the years, our veterans have returned home from their duties to become active and responsible citizens in their communities, further contributing to the growth and development of our Nation, **David Taylor Miller** was not given that opportunity, and

WHEREAS, **David Taylor Miller** will be laid to rest in the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia on July 28, 2010 at the age of 19, his ultimate sacrifice will never be forgotten, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton honors the memory of **David Taylor Miller** as an outstanding member of the community, one can only imagine what he could have accomplished had he served his full voluntary enlistment; now thereof be it

PROCLAIMED, that the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2010 is hereby dedicated to the memory of **David Taylor Miller** in grateful recognition on behalf of all of the Town of Wilton.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal of the Town of Wilton this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2010.

On a motion introduced by Councilman Rice, the board adopted the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION # 124**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to adopt the Proclamation for PFC David Taylor Miller.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, duly put to a vote all in favor.

#### Public Comment Session

**Supervisor Johnson** asked town resident Connie Towers to address the board. Mrs. Towers read a letter she wrote, addressed to the Town Board, regarding Town Councilmen who engage in, or tolerate language and conduct detrimental to women, especially during business proceedings.

**Town Resident Dan Tagliento** asked questions re: Hazardous Waste Day, Sales Tax and Mortgage Tax and the benefits of a PUD. Supervisor Johnson answered the questions regarding Hazardous Waste (that's every other year–not this year) He stated that sales tax is up and mortgage tax is down. Engineer Manz answered the PUD question, the only way to do multi-family projects is through the PUD process.

**Town Resident Dennis Towers** explained to the board that he found it fitting that Mr. Pulsifer is not here on this sad and historic day in Wilton. 3 good women, true public servants gone this week. A town record and how the battle has caused more eyes to focus.

Supervisor Johnson thanked everyone.

#### **Approve Pending Minutes**

Supervisor Johnson asked for a motion and a second to approve the pending minutes from the last meeting.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION # 125**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to approve the minutes from the June 3, 2010 meeting as typed, without amendment

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

#### Wilton Wildlife Preserve & Park (Quarterly Report)

**Supervisor Johnson** stated that this report is the last one submitted by Sarah Clarkin, she is moving on to explore a different career. The Town will miss Sarah she has done a great job with the Wilton Wildlife Preserve & Park.

#### Nature Conservancy

## (Approve application for grant under the Saratoga County Farmland/Open Space Preservation Program)

**Supervisor Johnson** explained that the County has an Open Space Land Grant Program. We are in the middle of the application now and the Nature Conservancy wants to submit an application to seek a grant for a piece of property may be interested in purchasing in the Town which is part of the Wilton Wildlife Preserve& Park. In order for them to apply they need an endorsement from the Town in support of their application.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

## **RESOLUTION # 126**

WHEREAS, The Nature Conservancy is applying to Saratoga County for a grant under its Farmland/Open Space Preservation Program for a project located within the Wilton Wildlife Preserve & Park Study Area, a site located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, as a requirement under the rules of this grant's application, said entity must obtain the "approval" of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by this august body that the Town Board of the Town of Wilton hereby does approve and endorse the application of The Nature Conservancy for a grant under the Saratoga County Farmland/Open Space Preservation Program for a project known as Wilton: A Critical Connection for Conservation, Recreation and Education within the Wilton Wildlife Preserve & Park.

Vote: \_\_4\_\_Yes, \_\_0\_\_No, \_\_0\_\_Abstain

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Rice, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

# Saratoga Heritage Phase II (amendment) Last discussed May 6, 2010

**Supervisor Johnson** explained that this application was referred to both the Town and County Planning Boards. We have received the recommendations back from both the County and the Town. They recommend approval with some conditions. So the next step in the process is to set a public hearing which the board set for August 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m..

## <u>Saratoga Heritage Phase IV</u> (PUD) Last discussed May 6, 2010

**Supervisor Johnson** explained that again we received both the County and the Town Planning Boards positive recommendations with no conditions. The board then set the public hearing for August 5, 2010 at 7:15 p.m..

## Saratoga Heritage Phase III (Road Acceptance)

**Supervisor Johnson** asked engineer Manz to address the board on this issue. **Engineer Manz** stated that the checklist is complete. **Attorney DeVall** stated that there had been a lot of revisions. He had no objection to the acceptance of the road.

On a motion introduced by Councilman Gerber, the board adopted the following resolution:

## **RESOLUTION # 127**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to accept the road (Hilltop Drive) Sta.0+00to 15+15.78 and the two easements, subject to Attorney DeVall's final determination.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Rice, duly put to a vote, all in favor, except Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, who abstained.

# <u>Resignation</u> (Ethics Board) Shirley Jung (Term to expire 12/31/11)

Supervisor Johnson explained that Shirley Jung has decided not to resign from the Ethics Board. So that item is off the agenda.

## Committee Reports (If Any)

**Supervisor Johnson** asked if there were any committee reports. He then explained that he had received a letter from Jerome Orton who is very active in the Wilton Heritage Society and he asked the Supervisor to mention that on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, is the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of General Grant and the Heritage Society will strike a bell for 125 seconds at 8:08 a.m. to mark the event. Mr. Orton also asked that that event recognize the honor of David Taylor Miller as well.

<u>Comptroller's Report</u> (Including Bills & Transfers)

## May 2010 Cash Disursements Informational

General Fund	\$241,742
Highway Fund	<u>\$261,852</u>
TOTAL	\$503 <i>,</i> 594

#### Budget (2010 Budget Transfers & Amendments)

On a motion introduced by Councilman Gerber, the board adopted the following resolution:

## **RESOLUTION # 128**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to approve the budget transfers and amendments requested for and listed in the Comptroller's 07/01/10 report to the Town Board.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

#### Personnel (Gavin Park)

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION # 129**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to approve the request submitted by Tracey Kubis for outside employment as a Travel agent, during the evenings and weekends.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Gerber, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

# Procurement Policy Update

On a motion introduced by Councilman Gerber, the board adopted the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION # 130**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to approve the recommendation from the Town Comptroller that the town modify the Town's Procurement Policy as per General municipal Law # 103 to increase the competitive bidding requirements of public works contracts to more than \$35,000, currently the policy is more than \$20,000.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

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# **Internal Reviews**

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, the board adopted the following resolution:

## **RESOLUTION # 131**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** to accept the Comptroller's report regarding the Town's 2009 Departmental Reviews.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Rice, duly put to a vote, all in favor.

**Supervisor Johnson** mentioned that July 10<sup>th</sup>, is the annual Park Fest, Community Day. A great family event, amusement rides, food, lots of entertainment and ends up with fireworks.

Supervisor Johnson: If there is no other business, I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

On a motion introduced by Deputy Supervisor O'Conor, and seconded by Councilman Gerber, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

	Carol Maynard, Town Clerk
	Supervisor, Arthur Johnson
	Councilman, Raymond O'Conor
	Councilman, Charles Gerber
	Councilman, Robert Rice
Absent	Councilman, Robert Pulsifer