

**April 24, 2014**

**The Town Board of the Town of Warwick held a Public Hearing for the Orange County Community Development Program (HUD). Said public hearing was held on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick. Supervisor Sweeton opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.**

**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Michael Sweeton  
Councilman Floyd DeAngelo  
Councilman Russell Kowal  
Councilman James Gerstner  
Councilman Mickey Shuback

**Town Attorney, Jay Myrow**

**LEGAL NOTICE:** The Clerk read the legal notice, which was duly published in the Warwick Valley Dispatch on April 16, 2014. (Copy of this legal notice is printed at the end of these minutes.)

**Supervisor Sweeton – Traditionally the Town has supported projects for the Warwick Community Center and Winslow Therapeutic Riding Center . They have constituencies that they service that meet the guidelines for this HUD funding. Generally the town, because of income levels, doesn't qualify although in the past we have when it's been a senior related project like the senior center behind Town Hall, that was financed in part through this program. Tonight we just solicit public input on projects and we'll open it now and I will invite anyone that has a project that would like to speak to us please come forward and state your name for the record.**

**Ginny Mazza - Executive Director Emeritus, Winslow Therapeutic Riding Center, 1433 State Route 17A, Warwick, NY 10990 – I represent Winslow Therapeutic Riding and I want to thank you all for your great support over the years. Our new wonderful facility is now 12 years old. We want to replace the arena footing which you have to replace every so often. We were lucky to get chopped rubber and sand which has lasted longer than normal. Usually they use leather or synthetic material that you have to change every three years, but it definitely is due. We certainly need to do some fence repairs and paddocks and that's ongoing. The trails also are part of that and we have a lot of trees down from Sandy, the weather and the winter and we need to clean it up and get it ready for use. We have 9 yard hydrants which over the years have fallen apart and we are down to 2 so if the 2 go we're in bad shape. We need to fix that up and put in steel instead of the stuff we've got in there now so they will last longer. The total would come to \$150,000 and I thank you very much for your consideration.**

**Supervisor Sweeton – Ginny, do you have a couple of examples of past projects?**

**Ginny Mazza – We repaved the driveway, we bought a tractor, we are getting automatic door openers, a horse trailer and a truck.**

**Supervisor Sweeton – Thank you very much. You guys are doing good stuff so we will take your project under consideration. The maximum an individual municipality can submit is \$125,000. Generally there are more projects than there is money and the money is determined by the feds at some point and they notify Orange County Community Development. We put in our best guess and we advocate them as the projects and see what happens.**

**Edward Maddalena – Warwick Valley Community Center, Warwick, NY 10990 – What we are asking for is funding for an ongoing renovation project for the electrical work that we had put out to bid as part of the package of the renovation including the painting, trim work etc., but everything started coming in over budget. We reviewed the numbers after they came in and put it out for bid again and they came in even higher. We decided to forgo the electrical until we could find the funds for it and that's why we're asking for them now. We will be starting the painting and some of the concrete work.**

**Supervisor Sweeton – And some of that was related to code issues I understand.**

**Edward Maddalena – The fixtures date back to the late 70's and early 80's. Some of them still have pull chains on them which are definitely not code so they need to be changed. There are power distribution problems with breakers popping off left and right for whatever reason. The electrical needs to be upgraded and the wiring needs to be changed that hasn't been touched in years.**

**Supervisor Sweeton – Ok, I know we funded past projects for the roof, windows and the teen center. It's good stuff. Are there any questions from the Board on either project?**

**Councilman Gerstner – Do you have an amount?**

**Edward Maddalena - \$150,000.**

**Councilman Gerstner – Ok.**

**Supervisor Sweeton – Are there any other projects to be suggested? Any last questions from the Board? I would entertain a motion to adjourn the hearing.**

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Shuback, that the public hearing be closed. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 7:23 p.m. 04-24-14 CP**

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**Marjorie Quackenbush, Town Clerk**

