

**Water Committee  
Village of Millbrook  
December 17, 2012**

**In attendance:** Trustee Mike Herzog, Dr. William Augerson, Scott Osborne, Howard Schuman, Stanley Morse, Emma Rossi-Marshall and Clerk Linda Wiltse.

**Call to Order**-Trustee Herzog at 5:05 PM

**Water Survey**-A summary of survey results was completed and submitted by Howard Schuman. The results were reviewed and discussed. For the properties listed as rural vacant land, Trustee Herzog and Clerk Linda Wiltse went onto the Dutchess County Parcel Access website and made certain no structures were located on these properties and completed the corresponding survey accordingly. This shortened the list to some degree. Trustee Herzog conducted several site visits to complete additional surveys. All parcel access or site visit surveys are noted on the survey spreadsheet as such. There are 14 properties outside of the Johnson Estate that have not been completed. Some of these 14 parcels are very important since they may have potential pollutants which are more prevalent due to their agricultural or business status. The Village of Millbrook Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer, Kenneth McLaughlin informed the committee that the certified mail process must be followed before an in person inspection can be completed by a Village appointed official.

Stanley Morse stated he is working on the property owned by Jane Ellenburg on completing the survey. The committee is at 90% response for the surveys without the surveys for Mrs. Johnson's 17 parcels being submitted. Including her surveys we will be at 96% response rate.

The committee may ask Russell Urbin-Mead how much of a breakdown is recommended for the survey data such as fuel tanks and the corresponding numbers. Dr. Augerson recommended including pond and /or lake information in the survey data. What should be flagged or monitored to keep track of potential hazards? Also, what to include on future surveys will be asked of Russell.

**Fuel Tanks**-Howard has tallied up the number of tanks including above and below ground as well as the number of wells on the summary sheet provided. It was suggested that tanks located in basements also should be clarified on future surveys. The NYS DEC is responsible for monitoring tanks exceeding 1,000 gallons or more in capacity. Future surveys may include the capacity for each tank above or in the ground. If the tank capacity is less than 1,000 gallons then it will only be inspected when the property changes ownership. The NYS DEC can be contacted for the location of 1,000 gallon or greater fuel tanks. Ken McLaughlin stated that residential tanks under 1,100 gallons are exempt from the EPA regulations. He added that agricultural is also exempt no matter what size tank is being utilized. They are regulated under the AGS and Markets unless used for the marketing portion of a farm. The NYS DEC is concentrating on gas stations currently. Ken will assist in creating a draft certified letter for review by the committee and the Village Board of Trustees. All commercial property has to have an environmental survey done at some point according to Ken. He added that most farms predate the regulations. There are very few retroactive laws in place. All gas stations had to be registered in 1992.

A registered tank list is available from the NYS DEC by searching on their website. Dr. Augerson inquired about a 1,000 gallon tank leaking and are there any models to determine the potential of an area affected by such a leak. The answer was that no such model exists.

**Task 4 Presentation**-Task 4 which is the aquifer ordinance presentation was approved by Village Board and the Mayor was submitted to the committee members. Task 3 was to assemble a sanitary survey submission of which the Village Board is looking for a clarification of the duties under this task and is requesting lower costs to try to attempt to complete as much in house as possible. Russell Urbin-Mead has been asked to narrow the scope of work for Task 3 to lower the fees. The Village is looking for review of the data by Russell and they will keep him in mind for the assisting with the Town of Washington ordinance. They will also ask him what needs to be red flagged for future monitoring.

A joint meeting has been set for February 26, 2013 at 7:00 pm for the Town of Washington and the Village of Millbrook Boards for a presentation by Russell Urbin-Mead.

#### **WATERSHED INTERMUNICIPAL COUNCIL-(WIC)**

Trustee Herzog went to water resources regulations workshop and met with Dutchess County Department of Health officials. There are no official guidelines as to the format of the report required by the NYS Department of Health. The Village of Millbrook is one of 4 in NYS required to complete such surveys and a subsequent report. A watershed management plan does exist. Trustee Herzog added the meeting was very informative and a great resource for assistance on inter-municipal agreements.

**Storm Water Ordinance**-The Village of Wappingers Mayor Matt Alexander is very interested in the Village of Millbrook Storm Water Ordinance creation. Perhaps both villages can work up a grant for the study of both of our storm water system as well as mapping and camera of them.

**Future Meeting Scheduled**-Monday, January 28th at 5 pm. Stanley Morse will not be available to attend this meeting.

The meeting concluded at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda T. Wiltse  
Village of Millbrook  
Clerk/Treasurer