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**Orange County Municipal Planning Federation Encourages
Municipal Board Members to Get Informed**
Spring Course Line-Up Announced

Goshen - The Orange County Municipal Planning Federation has announced their spring 2011 course line-up of educational programs developed especially for municipal board members. Established in 1974, the Federation is a county-wide organization created to effectively provide educational programs and information on the purposes and techniques of planning, including zoning, land use, subdivision control, State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and other related subjects.

This spring's course offerings include: Site Plan and Subdivision Map Reading, Ethics and Conflicts of Interest, the Orange County Comprehensive Plan Updates and Design Guidelines, Basics for New Board Members, New DEC Stormwater Regulations, Incidental Takes, and Developer Impact Fees.

"Many municipalities in New York State, and almost all in Orange County, require their land use board members to acquire continuing education credits every year," said David Church, Orange County Planning Commissioner. "Here in Orange County, most board members have a minimum requirement of four credits. The Federation is happy to provide local board members with opportunities to easily and affordably obtain those credits," added Church.

Classes start April 4 and kick off with three evening sessions located at the Orange County Emergency Services Center in Goshen. Daytime sessions will be held April 29 and May 6, in Sugar Loaf and Goshen, respectively. The costs range from \$20 to \$40.

For more information, contact Atticus Lanigan or Matt Ryan at 845-615-3840, or visit our website at www.orangecountygov.com/ocmpf where you can view a copy of the spring course flier, as well as other important information for municipal board members.

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