

Chairman: Thomas E. LeGrand is a licensed real estate broker and President of LeGrand Real Estate, Inc. and LeGrand Excavating, Inc., both located in Rhinebeck, NY and established in 1974. He serves currently as Chairman and a member of the Dutchess Community College Board of Trustees in Poughkeepsie. He presently is a Board member of the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency and had recently been its Vice Chairman. Mr. LeGrand was past President of the Rhinebeck Chamber of Commerce from 1982-1992. He also served as Chairman of the Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation from 1992-1995.

Vice Chairman: Vincent J. DiMaso has been a licensed realtor and community leader for more than three decades. In 1996, he founded Vincent J. DiMaso Real Estate of Poughkeepsie, NY after dissolving a 50-year-old local family real estate brokerage, development, and management business known as C. J. Patrick Real Estate, Inc. Currently, Mr. DiMaso serves as a Trustee of Dutchess Community College, and President of the Dutchess Golf & Country Club. He has served in the past as chair of the following organizations: Dutchess County Economic Development Corp., Dutchess Community College Foundation, External Marketing Council and the Industrial Commercial Incentive Board. Mr. DiMaso received his A.A. degree from Dutchess Community College and a B.A. degree from Marist College.

Treasurer: Rudy Vavra is a fine artist with an active studio in the Town of Milan, NY. His work has been exhibited nationally. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Design from Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas and a Master's degree in Fine Arts from the School of Visual Arts in New York City. Vavra has been a lecturer at the College of Architecture & Environmental Design at Texas A&M University. He has served as co-chair of the Town of Milan Master Plan Committee.

Secretary: Lawrence R. Knapp is Senior Vice President of Construction Administration Services, Inc. Larry has worked in the Construction industry for more than three decades and has been responsible for successfully completing a diverse mix of building and infrastructure projects such as the Rombout Wastewater Treatment Plant in Fishkill, New York; the Bristol Business Center in Bristol, Connecticut; and Dutchess Stadium in Fishkill which involved the construction management for a new 4,300 minor league stadium; reputed to be one of the fastest minor league stadium construction projects on record.

Larry is currently an active member of the DCEDC External Marketing Council and, in the past, has also served as a board member of many local organizations including the Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation, American Red Cross, the Dutchess Community College Foundation, the Great Southern Dutchess Chamber of Commerce, and the Dutchess Golf & Country Club.

Due to extensive involvement in the American Heart Association's Train to End Stroke Program, Larry was honored in 2006 to receive the Dutchess-Ulster Division's Friend of Heart Award, the Northeast Division's Volunteer of the year, and Hudson Valley Magazine's Best of the Hudson Valley acknowledgement as Best Coach.

Larry received his Bachelor of Science degree from St. Lawrence University.

Board Member: Michael Cotton, a licensed Professional Engineer, is retired from the New York State Department of Transportation, Region 8, after 46 years of service. Region 8 encompasses the seven county Mid-Hudson Valley area. He spent 20 years in the Design Group attaining Design Squad Supervisor. He worked 18 years in the Construction Group supervising construction projects, eventually achieving the position of Assistant Construction Group Director. In addition to his experience in the design and construction of highways and bridges, he has experience in the design and construction of

storm drainage, utility installations/relocations including municipal water and wastewater systems. He was responsible for Environmental Assessments, Hazardous Waste Assessments, SPEDES permits, wetland mitigation and other environmental issues.

Mike ended his state career as the Group Director of the Traffic Safety, Mobility and Engineering Group. His duties included issuance of highway work permits to both developers and utilities performing work on state property. He was also in charge of the Transportation Management Center coordinating emergency and evacuation plans with SEMO, New York City, bordering states and County Emergency Operation Centers.

Mike is a member of the New York State Association of Transportation Engineers serving as President for two terms. He was named New York State Engineer of the Year in 1992.

Mike was a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician for 18 years with the Red Hook Fire Company. He served as Captain of the Rescue Squad for many years as well as President of the Fire Companies Board of Directors.

Mike currently serves as a member of the Pinebrook Homeowners Association Board of Directors.