

A Workshop Meeting of the Town of Red Hook Board was held February 13, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. at 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571

Present: Supervisor Marirose Blum Bump
Councilman James Ross
Councilwoman Sue Crane
Councilwoman Jean Bordewich
Councilman Harold Ramsey
Town Clerk, Susan McCann

Also Present: Deputy Supervisor William O'Neill.

1. PRESENTATION – MASS GATHERING, FLAG LOTS, AND LIGHTING – Ted Fink, Greenplan and Christine Kane, Planning Board Chair

Lighting – no guidelines for lighting levels. Lighting to remain in property, less glare. Suggestions – signs should be down lighting. Also conserve energy and cost. Provide safety, but not over light. Ted and Christine discuss and answer questions on matter of lighting. Who will regulate? Christine...Planning Board and Town Engineer if they are unsure. Are we getting too detailed which will then cause additional problems. This standard is for business. Can we regulate residential?

Board wants 2 separate SEQR and resolutions on Lighting and Flag Lots. (2 very different issues). Public hearings on 2 different actions to be set 2/14/06. County Planning will take 30 days to review.

Flag Lots – Ted Fink presented advantages and disadvantages of Flag Lots. Most communities regulate flag lots. Ted also presents general planning guidelines for flag lots. Board questions what the disadvantages are. If this is adopted now how much leeway does the Planning Board have?

Flag Lot is not one of the best tools for Planning. The clearer we can make things to applicants the better for everyone. Phil Seymour presents information on recent subdivision with flag lots, common drives, etc. Planning Board will continue to look into this and Board to check current code of flag lots. Some minimal changes can be made.

Ted Fink – more work is needed on flag lot law. Redo SEQR and local law for lighting.

Separate both laws – go ahead for public hearing.

Mass Gathering Law - Ted Fink to look at this law and make recommendations.

2. PROCEDURE FOR ZONING CHANGES – to be discussed at a later date

3. CDBG GRANT – waiting for feedback from Wayne. Are we then ready to vote on a resolution? Wayne to be invited to meeting on 2/14/06

Resolution to amend Highway specs to accommodate traditional neighborhood streets.

4. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS – Bill O'Neill presents 15th report.

5. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT – vote on resolution 2/14/06. Is zoning in our agricultural area's working? Per Robert McKeon (no). Board would like more info on Ag & Open Space moratorium.

6. REORGANIZATION APPOINTMENTS – Brenda Cagle to chair subcommittee of CAC named Tree City USA. Resolution to be passed 2/14/06.

Disaster Preparedness – waiting for exact layout

Appoint – Town Assessor 2/14/06

Ag & Open Space Committee – Miriam Latzer – fill vacancy. (2 year term)

CAC – Councilwoman Bordewich to contact person to fill vacancy

ZBA – Board discusses accepting Jeanne Douglas' resignation. John Douglas to replace (fill term 3 years). 1 vacancy remains and will be filled by March. Incumbent remains holdover. We can vote on 2/14/06.

RFP – attorney (Ted still working) Town Board should be the interview committee.

7. PERX PROPERTY RESOLUTION AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION –vote on 2/14/06
8. OUTDOOR FURNACES – Al Trezza will discuss outdoor furnaces on 2/14/06
9. RECREATION FEE – discuss at next workshop
10. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS GRANT UPDATE – Victor writing letter. Supervisor Blum Bump signed contracts.
11. REQUEST FROM TOWN SUPERVISOR MARIROSE BLUM BUMP TO HIRE A FULL TIME CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY – Sue Crane asks “what are your current secretary’s hours”. We should discuss in Executive Session.
12. APPROVAL OF FUNDS FOR DIANA PICCIANO, SECRETARY TO THE ASSESSOR, FOR FOUR DAYS A WEEK FOR SIX WEEKS – to be discussed at 2/14/06 meeting.
13. VILLAGE TO VILLAGE TRAIL – members of committee are meeting with Wayne on the 28th.
14. ST. MARGARET’S HOME UPDATE – we have legal document to sign. Hannaford has agreed to larger donation of parcel.
15. HIGHWAY GARAGE PLANNING – Supervisor Blum Bump putting together

Motion by Supervisor Blum Bump, seconded by Councilman Ross, meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan McCann, Town Clerk