

Town of Red Hook Zoning Review Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Sue Crane

Members present – Michael Carr, Esq.-Chairman-ZRC; Sue Crane-Town Board Liaison; Steve Cole-Zoning Enforcement Officer; John Douglas-Zoning Appeals Board; Robert McKeon- Chair. – Agriculture & Open Space Committee; Linda Page-Economic Development Committee; Sam Phelan-Planning Board; Brenda Cagle-Chair.-Conservation Advisory Committee; Chuck Simmons; Susan Simon

Linda Stoddard – Recording Secretary

OLD BUSINESS

Adult Entertainment – Town Attorney Christine Chale made a recommendation to Sue Crane that a smaller subcommittee should be formed to handle the topic of Adult Entertainment. The committee agreed that this recommendation would be beneficial since the topic of Adult Entertainment is a time consuming issue. A subcommittee will allow the ZRC to move on to other topics of concern.

Michael Carr requested volunteers for the subcommittee. It was agreed that the subcommittee will consist of the following ZRC members: Susan Simon, Steve Cole and Michael Carr. Robert McKeon will be an alternate.

The entire committee discussed the Adult Entertainment topic at length and the following issues were addressed.

- Sue Crane questioned Rhinebeck’s involvement with AE and queried as to whether there are AE businesses requesting to come into Red Hook
- Sue provided Michael Carr with information on the “definition” of AE she had obtained from the Town of Stillwater and Michael read this definition to the committee
- The location of the AE district was discussed and recommendations were made that the district not go West of Route 9G; cannot be located near housing developments, i.e., College Park, Linden Acres, Forest Park.
- John Douglas suggested the property north of Hannaford be considered for “Adult Entertainment” purposes. This piece of property is zoned “light industrial” and this may be a possible location for this type of business, if the need were to arise. Robert McKeon will look into this parcel of land and find out exactly where “light industrial” zoning exists.

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It is the committee's goal to regulate *Commercial businesses only*, not Bard College or private residences. Reference was made to the memo Sue Crane received from Atty. Christine Chale, page 4 **B. Studies**, a copy of which was distributed to the committee members.

- The committee will rule out **all** areas where we do not want Adult Entertainment to exist.
- The Intermunicipal Task Force will meet on May 9 and this AE topic is being presented to the public. We will be meeting the following evening and discuss the public's take on this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

John Douglas informed all members of this new e-mail address: JRD@HVC.RR.com

A request was made to change the night and time of the meeting. After discussion it was agreed by all members that the meeting will remain on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. and adjourning no later than 9:00 p.m.

A motion was made by John Douglas to accept the March minutes; seconded by Chuck Simmons; all members in favor.

Zoning Review Committee Priorities

- Parking Standards
- Roads
- Setbacks for sheds
- Zoning of Aerodrome – Sue Crane will check on renaming road—she thinks this was already voted on
- Special Use Permits
- Multi-Family Dwelling
- New Scenic Road Map – code updates and language to protect them

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

NEXT MEETING – May 10, 2007 – 7:30 p.m. Town Hall Conference Room

Respectfully submitted

Michael Carr
Chairman – Zoning Review Committee