

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 31, 2007 - 5:30 PM
TOWN HALL

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Reagon at 5:30 p.m.
Salute to the Flag was conducted.

Emergency Exits were pointed out by the Supervisor.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Perotti	Present
Councilman Euvrard	Present
Councilwoman Doyle	Present
Councilman Russell	Present
Supervisor Reagon	Present

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Reagon moved that the Board go into executive session to interview candidates for hamlet planner, with Joel Russell, Esq., Special Counsel to the Town for the Comprehensive Plan and New Zoning Law:

MOTION:	S/Reagon		
SECOND:	C/Euvrard		
ROLL CALL:	C/Perotti	- AYE	C/Doyle - AYE
	C/Euvrard	- AYE	C/Russell - AYE
	S/Reagon	- AYE	

MOTION CARRIED 5 to 0.

INTERVIEWS

Looney Ricks Kiss (LRK) and Dodson Associates were interviewed.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

At 7:00 p.m. the Board voted to close the executive session and enter the public session:

MOTION:	C/Perotti		
SECOND:	C/Doyle		
ROLL CALL:	C/Perotti	- AYE	C/Doyle - AYE
	C/Euvrard	- AYE	C/Russell - AYE
	S/Reagon	- AYE	

MOTION CARRIED 5 to 0.

ACTION ITEMS:

MECHANIC STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT - APPOINT PROJECT MANAGER

Councilwoman Perotti moved to appoint the firm of Zarecky & Associates from Pawling to the position of design consultant and project manager for the Mechanic Street sidewalk project:

APPOINT ZARECKY & ASSOC FOR MECHANIC STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT AS DESIGN CONSULTANT AND PROJECT MANAGER

MOTION:	C/Perotti		
SECOND:	C/Euvrard		
ROLL CALL:	C/Perotti	- AYE	C/Doyle - AYE
	C/Euvrard	- AYE	C/Russell - AYE
	S/Reagon	- AYE	

MOTION CARRIED 5 TO 0.

100TH BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION

Supervisor Reagon read a birthday recognition statement for Florence Carroll on the upcoming occasion of her 100th birthday:

RECOGNIZE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF FLORENCE CARROLL

MOTION: S/Reagon

SECOND: C/Russell

ROLL CALL: C/Perotti - AYE C/Doyle - AYE
C/Euvrard - AYE C/Russell - AYE
S/Reagon - AYE

MOTION CARRIED 5 TO 0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Joel Russell lead a discussion which included the following topics:

- Mapping of Panicki property - deferred.
- TND (Traditional Neighborhood Design).
- "suburban residential" zoning.
- Cuddy & Feder (Silo Ridge project) letter of May 23, 2007 requesting various technical changes.
- Hotel-condo definition - deferred for input from Michael Hayes.
- Nina Peek letter of May 17, 2007 discussing rec fee waiver, balloon testing, RDO master plan development, etc.
- Michael Chamberlain comments about incorrect road names (Amenia Union Road, South Amenia Road).
- Bob Reimer comments on page 18 of zoning.
- Troutbeck comments about adding on to an historic structure and having certain rules waived related to number of dwelling units. Town Board said "no go".
- Tom Werner comments about workforce housing.
- Pat Nelligan comments about RDO concept, EAF concerns, Brickyard Pond, mini-storage, definition of farm.
- "Workforce housing" on page 73 E.3: remove the word full time to describe workers.
- Michael Klemens comments about golf courses and open space.
- Safety and security section: add a statement that the Town of Amenia is against housing prisoners (Department of Corrections clients) anywhere in our town.
- Commercial zoning: EAF found that Amenia has more than enough land zoned for commercial use (under both old and new zoning codes).
- Referendum is not legal for zoning.
- Councilman Euvrard requested a definition of "code enforcement officer". It is used to mean both zoning administrator and building inspector.

SCHEDULE FUTURE MEETING

The next Special Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday June 5 at 7:00 p.m. Since this will be a workshop meeting for the Town Board to discuss the Comprehensive Plan and new Zoning Law, there will be no public comment period.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:20 p.m. Supervisor Reagon moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss hamlet planner candidates:

MOTION: S/Reagon
SECOND: C/Russell
ROLL CALL: C/Perotti - AYE C/Doyle - AYE
C/Euvrard - AYE C/Russell - AYE
S/Reagon - AYE

MOTION CARRIED 5 to 0.

ADJOURN

The motion to adjourn was unanimous at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hermosilla,
Amenia Town Clerk

Approved by Town Board: Aug. 16, 2007
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