

May 7, 2019 – Workshop Meeting

The workshop meeting of the Gardiner Town Board was held this evening at the Gardiner Town Hall at 7 PM. Present were Supervisor Majestic, Councilwoman Walls and Councilmen Dukler & Wiegand. There were approximately 30± audience members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Open Space Commission met twice in April; therefore, they will not be meeting in May.

Climate Smart Gardiner – The meeting scheduled for May 1 did not take place. It has been re-scheduled for May 15th

Wallkill River Clean-up removed 3000 lbs. of trash from the river. A big thank you to David Sides & Rebecca Carucci for coordinating this event.

The monthly dog control report was received by our dog control officer.

A letter has been received from the NYS DEC on a proposed wetlands law.

TOWN BOARD VACANCY

Councilman Mike Reynolds resigned from the Town Board in March leaving a vacancy to be filled. Tonight, there are 2 candidates present for the Town Board to interview. Supervisor Majestic stated that the Town Board is required to interview any candidate for the Town Board in a public meeting. The 2 candidates are Franco Carucci and John Friedle. Each candidate was asked questions from the Town Board such as: Why do this? How would your professional career benefit the Town? What policies/issues do you feel the Town is facing now? Willing to attend continuing education programs? Supervisor Majestic thanked each one for coming forward and stated that the appointment may be at next week's meeting.

ZONING DISTRICT CHANGE PUBLIC HEARING – ROUTE 44/55

The Town Board scheduled a public hearing for the amendment to the zoning on property located on Route 44-55 owned by David Roehrs. A motion was made by Councilwoman Walls, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution No. 70 - Scheduling a Public Hearing for a Local Law Amending the Zoning District of Tax Map Parcels 94.3-4-19 and 94.3-4-20 From RA [Rural Agricultural] With the SPO Overlay to HC [Highway Commercial] Without the SPO Overlay, Together With an Accompanying Zoning Map Amendment - Offered by Councilwoman Walls

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a request from Jim Wild and David and Judy Roehrs for a zone change on lands located at New York State Route 44/55; and

WHEREAS, the land is known as Tax Map Parcel 94.3-4-20, consists of 2.2+/- acres of vacant land and is presently zoned Residential Agriculture (RA) with the SPO Overlay; and

WHEREAS, the Wild and the Roehrs have requested that the parcel located along NYS Route 44/55 be re-zoned as Highway Commercial (HC) without the SPO Overlay; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it is also appropriate to consider changing the zoning of the adjacent parcel to the west owned by Larry S. Barclay, tax map parcel 94.3-4-19 consisting of 1.53 acres and improved with the Gardiner Collision Center to conform the zoning district of the parcel with its current use as an auto body shop; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner seeks to consider a Local Law to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Gardiner for these two parcels of land located at NYS Route 44/55; and

WHEREAS, the Town has prepared a proposed Local Law to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Gardiner for these two parcels of land located at NYS Route 44/55; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed and considered the proposed Local Law; and **WHEREAS**, that the proposed Local Law is ready for consideration by the Town Board and the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board will hold a public hearing for consideration of the Local Law to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Gardiner for lands located at NYS Route 44/55 on June 11, 2019 at 7:05 pm at the Town Hall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk and/or Attorney for the Town are hereby authorized and directed to refer the Local Law to the Planning Board and Ulster County Planning Board-; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk and/or Attorney for the Town are hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of said hearing, and to post copies of such notice in the manner provided by law.

Seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried

BOOKKEEPING SOFTWARE

Councilman Wiegand presented each Board member with a discussion sheet on upgrading the bookkeeping software. Town Board members were also given a wish list from Councilwoman Walls. Councilman Wiegand compared 2 software companies – RDA our current company and Edmunds. RDA appears to be more cost effective. Councilwoman Walls agrees that Edmunds software is pricier but with the challenges with the current RDA software, she believes that RDA may not be suitable to the needs of Gardiner. Budgeting is challenging and time consuming not to mention the inability to print reports as requested. Other concerns include the compatibility with the town clerk’s software.

SEWER TREATMENT PLANT UPDATE

NYSDEC has cited the Town for exceeding the flow capacity at the sewer plant. The Town must now create a plan for future growth by August 1, 2019 to be presented to the DEC. There was discussion of CFA funding available. Supervisor Majestic has contacted the firm of Pitingaro & Doetsch and has obtained a cost of \$3500 to prepare a flow plan for DEC by August 1. On motion of Councilman Wiegand, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried, the Supervisor was authorized to engage Pitingaro & Doestch to prepare the flow report and present it a June meeting. The Supervisor was asked to get a quote for preparing the CFA application and the reconstruction of the Dusenberre Rd. pump station. Councilwoman Walls suggested sending postcards to sewer district residents to attend the June meeting. Councilman Dukler was concerned whether the firm would be able to meet the timetable.

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Town Board members are in receipt of a Master Plan worksheet outlining the goals of the Master Plan. Councilman Wiegand voiced that he would like to hold off on addressing this for the next 5-6 months. In the late Fall do a review of the Plan and pick out what needs the most attention. Possibly at the annual joint meeting. Councilman Dukler stated there is plenty of funding through CFA and we should take a good hard look at what’s available. Councilman Wiegand suggested setting an interim goal and hire someone to search for and prepare the grants.

RESOLUTION TO EXTENDED THE 6- MONTH MORATORIUM T

The Town Board scheduled a public hearing for the extension on the 6-month moratorium on tourism related accommodations land use. A motion was made by Councilwoman Walls, seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution No. 71 - Resolution Scheduling A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law To Extend The Moratorium On The Processing And Approval Of New Applications For Certain Tourism-Related Accommodation Land Uses In The Town Of Gardiner

Offered by Councilwoman Walls

WHEREAS, A proposed local law entitled, “Local Law to Extend Moratorium on the Processing and Approval of New Applications for Certain Tourism-Related Accommodation Land Uses in the Town of Gardiner”, was introduced by the Town Board on May 7, 2019; and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that said Town Board shall hold Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 2340 Rt. 44/55, Gardiner, New York, on June 11, 2019 at 7:00 P.M., to hear all persons interested in the matter of the adoption of the proposed local law, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of said public hearing in the Times Herald Record and to post copies of such notice in the manner provided by law, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk and the Attorney for the Town are hereby authorized and directed to refer the proposed local law and/or Notice of Public Hearing to the appropriate agencies for their review and recommendations.

Seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried.

NOISE UPDATE

The issue at hand at this point is amplified sound/music. Councilman Wiegand suggested requesting our noise consultant to set a date to monitor noise at the Lazy River Campground. This past weekend the campground held the food truck rally which neighbors complained as being extremely loud and packed with people. Also complained about the 7 days a week of amplified music. Councilwoman Walls suggested adding to campground definitions – no amplified noise/music. Councilman Wiegand suggests sending a letter to venues in the Town asking for cooperation keeping the noise down; establishing a call lo; requiring sound limiters and establishing a quiet time in the Town - 10 PM weekends, 8 PM week days.

PARKS A RECREATION UPDATE

The Parks & Recreation Committee inserted a fundraiser flyer in the Spring Gardiner Gazette. It is the task of the Town Board to complete the pole barn and Supervisor Majestic is working on a scope of work. A tour of the proposed bike/hike trail was this past weekend. Councilmen Dukler and Wiegand, Supervisor Majestic, Superintendent Stiscia and a few others toured the property. The committee is looking for an OK to proceed with the project. There were a few concerns that the Town Board had. Councilman Wiegand proposed he and Councilman Dukler attend the next Parks & Rec meeting.

Superintendent Brian Stiscia spoke about the danger of motorized vehicles on the proposed land of the new bike/hike trail.

NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AGREEMENT

The Town is in receipt of the agreement with New Paltz schools to use buses during the 2019 summer rec program. On motion of Councilwoman Walls, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, the Supervisor was authorized to sign the agreement.

2019 HIGHWAY 284 AGREEMENT

Resolution No. 72 – 284 Agreement - Offered by Councilwoman Walls

Resolved, pursuant to Section 284 of the Highway Law, the Town Board of the Town of Gardiner hereby endorses and approves an agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys dated May 1, 2018

Said agreement shall be signed by the majority of the members of the Town Board, with one copy to be filed with the Town Clerk; and

Further Resolved, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to disburse moneys from the Highway Fund in accordance with said agreement.

Seconded by Councilman Dukler and carried.

MINUTES

Minute of January 8, February 5, February 14 and March 5 were approved as written on motion of Supervisor Majestic, seconded by Councilwoman Walls and carried. Councilman Wiegand abstained.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Ralph Erenzo - regarding AirBnB - permit for an AirBnB should not give greater latitude to the AirBnB permit holders.

Scott Mosher – what is the status of the Article 78. Supervisor Majestic stated she is waiting on the Judge.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion for Councilwoman Walls, seconded by Councilman Wiegand and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk