

TOWN BOARD MEETING

JULY 14, 2014

6:50 PM

Supervisor Jamieson opened the meeting at 6:50 PM. Members present: Supervisor Jamieson, Councilwoman Smith, Councilman Murray. Absent: Councilwoman Ranni, Councilman Valentine

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Board began their discussion of the Comprehensive Plan. It has been the consensus to skip Chapter 7 as it was under review by the Highway Superintendent. Councilwoman Ranni was to meet with Anthony LaSpina to get his input.

Supervisor Jamieson commented about the Floating Zone designation. He is not in favor of this policy. He suggested the use of a "SH-1" zone for areas appropriate for senior housing. As BT Holdings and Camp LaGuardia maybe wanting senior housing, they would need supporting resources, roads, stores, etc.

Chapter 3 – Natural Resources

3.1 Supervisor Jamieson mentioned his discussion with the Open Space Institute and their interest in what was formerly the Sherman property. They are in the process of obtaining an appraisal of the property. Their intent is to hold the property for one year then bequeath it to the Palisades Park Commission. TD Bank has also received a bid from a Rockland developer.

Supervisor Jamieson mentioned the access to trails and the necessity to take heed to private property.

With regard to scenic setbacks, Supervisor Jamieson stated the planning board would be the body to enforce the requirements.

3.3 Supervisor Jamieson mentioned how wetlands are governed by the NYSDEC and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

With regard to Riparian Zones, Supervisor Jamieson reiterated that these lands are often not owned by the Town. Councilman Murray commented that the Town's responsibility would be to protect these areas from development but not maintain.

3.4 Supervisor Jamieson commented that in the case of Creamery Pond, karp had been added to keep the pond clean. It appears to have been a successful endeavor.

Chapter 4 – Agricultural resources

Supervisor Jamieson mentioned the farms throughout the Town, Talmadge, Durma, Battiato, Zangrillo.

Supervisor Jamieson announced a tour of the open space being gifted in the Sorrentino project. The issue of clustering and bonus densities was discussed as it relates to previously used farmland.

Chapter 5 – Parks and Recreation Resources

Supervisor Jamieson mentioned that Primo Sports is on the upcoming ZBA and Planning Board agendas. They plan on closing their Florida location and move to Route 94 where they will have lacrosse and soccer fields as well as an indoor operation. They may allow the Town's Parks and Recreation to have use of the facilities.

Supervisor Jamieson gave an update on the parks and recreation facilities around Town. The bathrooms in both the Commons and Carpenter Field are being done. Carpenter's basketball surface is to be redone. The Commons will have the concession stand redone, 3 new grills, fixed benches and bleaches moved. The Soccer club is to donate money to this cause. Summer Camp has begun with a K-9 demonstration.

Supervisor Jamieson mentioned the Monroe-Chester Sportsmen's Club and the work they are doing on their driveway entrances. He would like them to use the main entrance .

Supervisor Jamieson said he is to meet with Major Valastro to discuss the parkland fees from BT Holdings.

Chapter 6 – Cultural Resources

Councilman Murray suggested the priority column be removed from the implementation plan. It was discussed to change all immediate to short-term goals and remove definitions.

It was also noted that Chapter 10.9 should be 10.8.

Supervisor Jamieson said he would contact Al Fusco and Alan Sorenson and ask them to attend the next meeting on July 22nd. He expects to have another meeting in August and schedule a public hearing for September.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Smith and seconded by Councilman Murray. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Zappala
Deputy Town Clerk