

September 27, 2005 – Special Meeting

The Town Board met in special session at the Gardiner Firehouse at 6:15 PM for the purpose of discussing the ARR-200 Zoning Law. Supervisor Zatz was present along with Councilwoman Lemmon and Councilmen Fischer, Bialecki and Richards. Approximately 20± audience members were present. Supervisor Zatz contacted attorney David Brennan and consultant Joel Russell by phone and had them available via conference call.

ARR-200 ZONING LAW

Supervisor Zatz read aloud the memo received from Joel Russell outlining the strategy to bring this law to adoption.

Mr. Russell was asked the status of his review of the Planning Board comments. He replied he has completed the review and needs to prepare his response. He does not believe there are any substantive issues.

Board members discussed at great length a town wide moratorium. Councilman Richards suggested scraping this law, rewriting a simplified law covering the entire town concentrating on the 5 hamlets for density. Councilman Bialecki did not want to sideline or delay the adoption of this current law. He was not in favor of a town wide moratorium, only for the AR-80 district. Councilwoman Lemmon agreed. Supervisor Zatz presented the options: proceed with the vote incorporating the Planning Board technical changes, institute town wide zoning and establish a new Zoning Advisory Committee, introduce a town wide moratorium. Board members agreed to authorizing Supervisor Zatz to prepare an AR-80 moratorium law that will kick in when the Zoning Advisory Committee is formed and to move ahead with the current ARR-200 zoning amendment law integrating the Planning Boards technical suggestions, with a vote for adoption to take place on October 11, 2005. SEQR review will be held at the first October meeting.

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARINGS

On motion of Councilman Richards, seconded by Councilman Bialecki and carried, a public hearing was scheduled for October 11 at 7:15 PM on an application from Laurie Willow to convert a residence to office space with an accessory apartment upstairs.

A second motion was made by Councilman Richards, seconded by Councilman Bialecki and carried, to schedule a public hearing for October 11 at 7:30 PM on an application from Eugene Smith to replace a mobile home.

TRAPPS PARKLAND

Supervisor Zatz reminded the Board of the amendment to the Master Plan that was agreed upon with regard to the Trapps Development parkland. Mr. Zatz is requesting a Board member to undertake this task. Councilman Bialecki agreed to do so.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Bialecki, seconded by Councilwoman Lemmon and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk