

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lewisboro, Westchester County, New York, was held on February 12, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town House, 11 Main Street, South Salem, New York.

PRESENT: Supervisor - Peter H. Parsons
Councilmen - Peter DeLucia, Frank Kelly, John Pappalardo, Daniel Welsh
Town Clerk - Janet Donohue

Also in attendance were Facilities Maintenance Manager Joel Smith and Attorney for the Town Jennifer Herodes.

Mr. Parsons called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Parsons led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Alan Cole, a town resident, suggested that our Town Code be amended regarding political signs. Mr. Cole also made this suggestion in November of 2012 and wanted to follow up before the elections got underway this year. The code talks about political signs being taken down 48 hours after an election, but it doesn't address how far in advance the signs can be erected. He feels that 31 days prior to election would be sufficient (this way the signs can be erected on a weekend since the elections are held on a Tuesday). The Board felt that if we are looking into amending the code for signs, we should look at other issues, possibly for new businesses in town to be able to erect grand opening signs, etc. Mr. Parsons will speak with the Chamber of Commerce and get their feedback. In the meantime, the town attorney will work on the wording with the Town Supervisor for amending the code and it will be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Update on recent snowstorm

Supervisor Parsons updated the Board on the recent activities related to the "Nemo" storm. Mr. Parsons worked closely with Adman Ochs, the Emergency Management Officer. A State of Emergency was declared at 3 p.m. on Friday, February 9. A conference call was held with LVAC, the fire department and the school. The emergency command post was established at the Town House and the information line was activated. All roads were passable by 8:45 a.m. on Saturday, February 10. The State of Emergency was lifted at 3 p.m. Saturday, February 10. The information line was deactivated at noon on Sunday, February 11. Mr. Parsons extended his thanks to the maintenance, highway, and police departments and in particular Adam Ochs for all that they did to help with this storm. Adam Ochs was the sole person on the information line.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Mr. DeLucia, seconded by Mr. Kelly, the Board voted 5-0 to receive and file departmental reports.

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Parsons, DeLucia, Kelly, Pappalardo, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

REPORTS – Monthly Reports

On the above motion and second, the January, 2013 reports from the Building, Planning and Police Departments were received and filed.

TOWN CODE – Proposed Amendment to Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 212-27.1, Schedule VIA

On motion by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Kelly, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Parsons, DeLucia, Kelly, Pappalardo, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lewisboro will hold a Public Hearing on February 25, 2013 at 8 p.m. at the Lewisboro Library, 15 Main Street, South Salem, New York for the purpose of hearing the public with regard to a local law amending the Town Code of the Town of Lewisboro, Chapter 212-27.1, Schedule VIA, Vehicles and Traffic to add the entire length of Kitchawan Road to the roads listed that states “No Commercial Vehicles”, with the exception of vehicles owned or leased by residents of the road driving to or from their residences on the road, vehicles delivering to and/or picking up from residences or rendering services to or relating to residences located on the road, vehicles on Town of Lewisboro or school district business, and Emergency vehicles.

WESTCHESTER EMS LETTER – Continued Discussion

The Board again discussed a letter that was sent to them by Lewisboro Volunteer Ambulance Corp (LVAC) regarding the Westchester EMS. Bob Stoddard, LVAC Captain was unable to attend tonight’s meeting. The Board understands that they are trying to control costs of operation without hurting the service. The Board would still like more supporting data and would like to have Bob Stoddard and Al Kim from Stellaris come in to talk with them before they give their approval for the Supervisor to sign this letter. Supervisor Parsons will contact both Mr. Stoddard and Mr. Kim and invite them in to a future meeting.

TOWN CODE – Proposed Amendment to Subdivision, Chapter 195-15(G) and to Wetlands, Chapter 217-(6) (F) (6)

Jerome Kerner, Planning Board Chairman, approached the Board with amendments that they would like to see to the Wetlands and Subdivision Sections of the code.

On motion by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Pappalardo, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Parsons, DeLucia, Kelly, Pappalardo, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lewisboro will hold a Public Hearing on February 25, 2013 at 8:15 p.m. at the Lewisboro Library, 15 Main Street, South Salem, New York, for the purpose of hearing the public with regard to a local law amending the Town Code of the Town of Lewisboro, Chapter 195-15 (G), Subdivision, and Chapter 217-6 (F) 6, Wetlands of the Town Code of the Town of Lewisboro, in order to amend the public notice requirements for subdivision and wetland permit applications.

TOWN CODE – Proposed Amendment to Wetlands, Chapter 217.13 (E)

Jerome Kerner, Planning Board Chairman, would like to insert an “Adjustment for Special Circumstances” into the Wetlands Ordinance, Chapter 217.13 (E). This wording already exists in and is taken from the Subdivision Ordinance, Chapter 195.7 They would like to see it replicated into the Wetland Regulations. The Town Attorneys and the Planning Board Attorney will need to discuss this proposed amendment and it will then be brought before the Town Board at a future meeting.

ONATRU FARM – Plan for outdoor area

The Board discussed the creation of a committee to develop a landscaping plan for the use of Onatru Farm’s outdoor area by the main house. The Board will look at the deed to see what stipulations are in place. While discussing Onatru, they would also like to look at installing solar panels for the barn roof. Since the Board feels it should be a coordinated effort, they will explore feedback from several Lewisboro committees and organizations such as PRAC, Sustainability, OSPAC, Garden Club, Town Historian Maureen Koehl, Girls and Boy Scouts, etc.

PUBLIC HEARING - Change in Chapter 220, Zoning, Section 220-23, (A) (6) and Sections 220-47 (A) and 220-47 (C) (1)

The proposed local law would amend Chapter 220 Zoning of the Town of Lewisboro, Section 220-23 (A) (6), entitled "Schedule of regulations for residential districts;" and Sections 220-47 (A) and 220-47 (C) (1), entitled "Waiver of application procedures."

Supervisor Parsons explained that this is an attempt to bring town law closer in line with the requirements of New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.

Mr. Parsons called the public hearing to order. There was no objection to the time or form of the public notice (attached). Mr. Parsons called for comments from the public. There were no public comments.

This public hearing will be kept open until the comments from the Town Zoning Board and the Town and County Planning Boards have been received.

Planning Board Chairman, Jerome Kerner, expressed that the Planning Board will be discussing this on Tuesday, February 19, 2013. He feels that they will be prepared to discuss this further at the March 18th meeting.

Mr. Parsons said the Board is not closing the public hearing. The hearing will be adjourned until the March 18th Town Board meeting at 8:00 p.m.

CLAIMS – Authorized for Payment

On motion by Mr. DeLucia, seconded by Mr. Kelly, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize payment of the Town's bills in the amount of \$249,810.76.

LEON LEVY LECTURE SERIES – Event

Supervisor Parsons announced the Leon Levy Lecture Series that will take place on Sunday, February 24, from 4-5:30 p.m., which will be held at Waccabuc Country Club Carriage House, presented by Alex Shoumatoff, who is an author and historian, and introduction, by Philip Kunhardt, who is a local author/producer/historian. Admission is free and high tea will be served.

PAVING – Quotes

Mr. Pappalardo expressed that the Board has had very good give and take dialogue about paving the roads and he would like to keep this good discussion open. Mr. Parsons agreed. When the companies that do the paving come back to work in March, the discussions will continue.

BENEFITS – Quotes

Mr. Kelly expressed that he would like to start hearing from some brokers or consultants with respect to the Town's benefits package.

FEMA – Continuity of Planning During Emergencies

Mr. DeLucia was given some informational books and DVD's regarding continuity of planning during emergencies. He suggested that the Board take a look at the material and suggested that FEMA make a presentation at a future meeting.

MEETINGS – Dates Set

The Supervisor noted there will be a Town Board meeting on Monday, February 25, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lewisboro Library, 15 Main Street, South Salem, NY. There will also be a Town Board work session on Monday, March 4, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lewisboro Library, 15 Main Street, South Salem, NY.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Various Appointments

On motion by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. DeLucia, the Board voted 5-0 to go into executive session to discuss various appointments.

On motion by Mr. DeLucia, seconded by Mr. Kelly, the Board voted 5-0 to come out of executive session.

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE – Appointment of Member

On motion by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Kelly, the Board voted as follows:

THE VOTE:	Yes	- Parsons, DeLucia, Kelly, Pappalardo, Welsh	(5)
	No	- None	(0)
	Absent	- None	(0)

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that Darryl Caprio, is hereby appointed to the Sustainability Committee for a term ending December 31, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Kelly, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 10:04 p.m.

Janet L. Donohue
Town Clerk