

# **LUMBERLAND TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING**

**July 5, 2017**

The Town of Lumberland Town Board held a monthly Workshop Meeting on Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at 7:01 p.m. at the Municipal Building in Glen Spey, N.Y. Supervisor Jenny Mellan opened the meeting at 7 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was administered to those members present:

Supervisor Jenny Mellan  
Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Leigh Sherman  
Councilman Joseph Carr  
Councilman James Akt  
Councilwoman Zoriana Gingold

Also present were Town Clerk Virginia Horn, Constable Robert Maas, Laurie Terry, Highway Superintendent Don Hunt, Jr., Steven Kosmacher, Noah Kalina and Caroline Akt.

Supervisor Mellan stated that first on the Agenda was to address two Resolutions, noting one was for a cemetery plot owner transfer and the other was for a Noise Permit.

## **PRE-FILED RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution #93 – Transfer of Cemetery Plot Ownership  
Resolution #94 - Noise Permit – Clarkin-DeAnni

Councilman Sherman made a motion to accept Resolution #94 with the change to 11 p.m. for the deadline, seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor, so carried.

Supervisor Mellan reported that it was originally scheduled to discuss recommendations from the Zoning Review Committee, however, the Attorney and Sue Gregg were not available so the Town Board discussed holding a Special Meeting to review the proposed recommendations. The Board members agreed to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall to meet with representatives of the Zoning Review Committee to discuss their proposed changes to the Zoning Law. Supervisor Mellan reported the vouchers have been reviewed and initialed.

The Board members reviewed their Agenda. The Board reviewed the Meeting Minutes and Monthly Reports. Don Hunt, Jr. reported that the Fire Dept. Monthly Report that has been submitted is for May and he will have the one for June by next week's meeting.

Supervisor Mellan reported she talked to members of the Parks Committee to discuss another new town sign. Supervisor Mellan noted that the first new sign has been installed on the corner of Rt. 97 & Ct. Rt. and it looks great. Supervisor Mellan reported the Grant Writer is doing a Plans & Progress grant that may be for the next new sign that will be placed at the end of

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Forestburgh Road. Supervisor Mellan noted that although the sign in Pond Eddy needs replacing it was recommended waiting until after the construction of the new bridge was done. Supervisor Mellan stated they hope to do one new sign each year.

Supervisor Mellan reported that included in the Grant Writer updates was the paperwork for reimbursement, noting she has signed the final request. Councilman Akt questioned where we were on the new highway truck? The Highway Superintendent stated they are still waiting for the State review. Supervisor Mellan reported that we got notification that the UDC federal grant monies are tied up due to the spending, noting that the 2018 TAG Grant application reflect less monies available. Supervisor Mellan reported we got notification from the State that the age of consent to get married has been raised from 14 to 18 years of age. Supervisor Mellan reported they got notification of the deadline for the TAG Grant application for 2018.

The Board members reviewed the Pre-filed Resolutions. Supervisor Mellan noted that St. Volodymyr Church requested 2 nights until 11 p.m. and the 3<sup>rd</sup> night until 8 p.m. Supervisor Mellan reported that they are doing a Resolution to support the Delaware River Basin Commission to prohibit hydraulic fracturing within the River Corridor. Steven Kosmacher questioned if this would be in Local Law form? Supervisor Mellan stated it only needs to be an approved Resolution that will be sent to the River Basin Commission. Supervisor Mellan stated that Resolution #97 needs to be changed to the 11 p.m. deadline to conform with all other requests.

The Town Clerk stated she would like to request that an additional resolution be added to next week's agenda. The Town Clerk reported she received a request today that the owner of four cemetery plots would like to sell the plots back to the Town. The Town Clerk noted that the Cemetery Rules & Regulations clearly state that the Town can buy back the plots for 50% of the cost of the plots. Councilman Sherman questioned if it could be considered giving back the full 100%? Supervisor Mellan stated that if you do it for one you would have to do it for all and since the Rules & Regulations state 50% they should adhere to that.

Supervisor Mellan reported she received an email from a resident from Haring Road to request having the speed limit lowered on that road. The Highway Superintendent confirmed that he has also been asked about lowering the speed limit on that road and would like to include Van Tuyl Road in the request. The Highway Superintendent also reported he has been asked to request the speed limit be lowered for the Mohican Lake Trail area. The Town Clerk verified that resolutions will need to be approved and the request gets sent to the County who sends it to the State. The Highway Superintendent stated he would like to see the speed limit on Haring Road and Van Tuyl Road lowered to 35 -45 mph and the Mohican Lake Trails lowered to 15 mph. Steven Kosmacher questioned if Mapes Road could be included in the request? The Highway Superintendent stated he is not against including it but would like to start with just Haring and Van Tuyl first.

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Supervisor Mellan reported the Board of Supervisors will have another shared services meeting on July 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss possibilities available. Supervisor Mellan noted the Town Board had discussed putting on a second floor to the existing Records Room but the costs of maintaining that addition would have to be considered in the overall operating expense. Councilman Sherman reported the Court is looking into a grant for their records. Caroline Akt stated that going paperless should be considered. Councilman Sherman stated that the original discussion is if there is a main storage building it would be located in Liberty and it would require 2 people going to retrieve any requested records stored there. Councilman Sherman stated the Deputy County Manager is talking about a physical building being the solution. Supervisor Mellan stated she will have more information after next week's meeting.

Caroline Akt reported that the ZBA members who attended the Zoning Review Committee have received credits for participating in the zoning rewrite. Planning and Zoning Boards Clerk, Laurie Terry, reported she will compile a list of who is on the review committee and who has completed certification for credit so far this year.

Councilman Akt stated the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade was very nice.

Steven Kosmacher stated that Haring Road needs some road signs indicating the sharp curve and needs a speed limit sign. The Highway Superintendent stated he will have to check into it, noting that any sign erected must be approved by the Town Board. Kosmacher stated there should be a sign at the intersection of Haring and Swabb Roads. The Highway Superintendent stated there may have been a sign there at one time. Supervisor Mellan stated she thought there was a sign there already. Kosmacher stated there was no sign. The Highway Superintendent stated there was a speed sign in that area. Constable Maas stated there have been a few crashes in that area but it is usually people coming back into town.

Steven Kosmacher questioned if there was any more word on the street lighting issue. Supervisor Mellan reported that O&R now wants a list of all the town street lights that need replacing before giving us a price on replacing any. Kosmacher questioned if we would have to pay for the replacement up front? Supervisor Mellan reported that the incentive to go with the O&R program is to pay over the course of years. Councilman Sherman reported that the Code Enforcement Officer has stated that if the lights go out O&R has to replace the bulbs anyway. Caroline Akt questioned using solar panels on the poles? Supervisor Mellan noted that it would be costly.

Councilman Akt made a motion to adjourn at 7:41 p.m., seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor, so carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia V. Horn, Town Clerk