

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING – February 21, 2018

The Town Board of the Town of Catskill held their committee meeting on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 6:30 pm at Town Hall. Supervisor Davis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present:

Doreen Davis, Supervisor
Jared Giordano, Councilman
Patrick McCulloch, Councilman
Paul Vosburgh, Councilman

Absent: Dawn Scannapieco, Councilwoman

Also Attending: Michael Smith, Town Attorney; Elliott Fishman, CEO; Joseph Izzo, PB Chair;
Larry Federman, PB Vice-Chair; Shawn Beers, Highway Superintendent

Supervisor Davis stated there are three topics on the agenda.

PLAYGROUND – Teri Weiss and Brenda Vandermark of the Fortnightly Club of Catskill approached the board about building a playground at the Ricky Cramer Field. Their first step is to see if the Town would be interested. They have been receiving donations in memoriam of Robert Antonelli, Town Councilman who passed away last year. The Fortnightly's Wine and Cheese Festival funds are used wholly for playground/recreation in the Town of Catskill. Supervisor Davis is 100% in support as are all the Councilmen. It was suggested to have Shawn Beers and Stanley Dushane work with Fortnightly. A date and time will be set to walk through the area. Elliott Fishman, CEO, will volunteer his time to help with the layout of the project.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS: Larry Stone of the Garland Company presented the board with the project manual for the Highway roof replacement. He also presented the board with the budgets for the rest of the town's building projects. These projects are under the US Communities Contract with which Garland has been awarded the prime contractor. Municipalities are able to piggyback other muni's contracts. They just completed the replacement of the roof on the Greene County office building.

Mr. Stone received three bids for the highway roof project. The next step after the board reviews will be procurement of the project. Mr. Beers would like to look over the numbers.

In regards to the other projects, for the town building, replacement of the windows is an option. If the town is interested, he can bring in a subcontractor. Councilman McCulloch asked to get a bid to replace the windows.

Supervisor Davis stated we have a department head meeting next week and this will be discussed and reviewed then. Councilman McCulloch stated we need to go through and figure out the top priority and discussion regarding bonding the project.

PLANNING BOARD – Mr. Izzo, Planning Board Chair, discussed with the board their concerns regarding a project off of Cairo Junction Road called Tiny Tines Campgrounds. It is an 86 acre parcel, permitted use, 66 individual spaces for RV's specifically designed for camping. The RV's do not move when on site and they would be rented year round. The units are self-contained with portable water and septic system but there would also be a sand filtration system on site. The board is wrestling with the project in the sense they are not sure if it is temporary/transient or long term stay which would bring into question a

mobile home park use. Under State law, it is not considered a MHP but a campground. Their second concern is where does this fall within the town's comprehensive plan? The area is residential and if permitted would be a problem with residents of that area due to the transient nature of a campground.

The Town of Cairo declared a moratorium with a similar project. The question is can the board declare a moratorium even though the planning board is in the process of looking at the project. We have an accepted sketch. It is in the very early stages. It has not been sent to the County Planning Board for their review.

Mr. Federman stated the town does not have definitions for a campground. They are using the state definition. His concern is using a RV certification on little houses as a mobile home park. There is concern regarding the sanitation system. The owner is the manufacturer of the RV's. There is concern regarding the safety, density and quality of the neighborhood.

Supervisor Davis stated there is language for a moratorium to be possible. Mr. Fishman stated if the project moves forward there will need to be emergency access.

Mr. Smith stated the concern is the relationship of the property and development and then development and CEO. Under NYS Local Government Services a moratorium can be issued in general opposing the ban of all developments for land use or zoning districts. After discussion the board wishes to move forward with issuing a moratorium before the creation of a local law.

Mr. Izzo stated he will send a notice to the applicant the town is in review of the process of issuing a moratorium.

BOARD COMMENTS

Councilman McCulloch mentioned Jack's computer. It needs to be replaced. Supervisor Davis will contact Webjogger regarding computer replacement with them to contact Councilman McCulloch directly.

With no further comment a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman McCulloch seconded by Councilman Vosburgh. Meeting ended 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk