

East Hampton Town Board

Work Session Meeting

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159 Pantigo Road

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Carole Brennan

Tuesday, April 7, 2015

10:00 AM

Town Hall Conference Room

I. Call to Order

10:00 AM Meeting called to order on April 7, 2015 at Town Hall Conference Room, 159 Pantigo Road, East Hampton, NY.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Kathee Burke- Gonzalez	Town of East Hampton	Councilwoman	Present	
Peter Van Scoyoc	Town of East Hampton	Councilman	Present	
Sylvia Overby	Town of East Hampton	Councilwoman	Present	
Fred Overton	Town of East Hampton	Councilman	Present	
Larry Cantwell	Town of East Hampton	Supervisor	Present	
Michael Sendlenski	Town of East Hampton	Assistant Attorney	Present	
Jean Hamilton	Town of East Hampton	Deputy Town Clerk	Present	

II. Public Portion

Laura Michaels, President of the Ditch Plains Association, spoke to the Board about the proposed amendment to the Accessory Restaurants & Bars in Resort and Transient Motels legislation. The Association is supportive of the majority of the legislation, however, the Association submitted to the Board their suggested changes.

John C., Resident of Montauk spoke in support of the proposed legislation for the Accessory Restaurants and mentioned that Montauk needs some relief and he supports the proposed changes submitted by the Ditch Plains Association.

Supervisor Cantwell opened meeting to Public Comments:

Charles Aaron applaud the comprehensive statement from Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez and the action scheduled for April 16th, 2015. He commented that helicopter people may have more than one equipment, may switch equipment to get around the one trip restriction. He strongly urges after obtaining the data at the end of season to reconsider the helicopter ban as soon as possible, not to wait.

Peter Wadsworth congratulated Kathee on so much thought in a single statement. He stated that #3 & # 4 overlap helicopter noise. He says a lot of work to figure out where money is coming from; he feels that the landing fees needs to be increased and the parking lot will bring in revenues.

III. Topics

A. Analysis of Wainscott School District Report of September 2014- Eric Schantz

A. Eric Schantz, Sr. Planner of the Planning Department presented the Board with a power point presentation of the departments analysis of the Wainscott School District in regards to the proposed building of an affordable housing project with 49-units.

B. Wainscott Affordable Housing - Michael DeSario

presented to the Board his knowledge on this project. He has been working Mr. DeSario on this project for over a year and that he has been working with the Town's Planning Department in regards to a proposed location that would work in regards to zoning, etc and with the support from the Board. Mr. DeSario mentioned that the project will be funded from other agencies (Federal/State) and no funding from the Town of East Hampton. This project would require approximately 30 acres and the land in Wainscott owned by the Town behind the soccer fields on Stephans Hands Path may be an option. This project will consist of 49 units, with one unit for the Superintendent. Taking in the concerns of the Wainscott School District, the units were revisited and revised with 15 units designated for Seniors, Disabled and Veterans that would probably not have an impact on the school district. Mr. DeSario presented the Board with approximate amounts of rents for units comprising of one, two and three bedrooms. He also mentioned that this project will not be rental subsidized. Mr. John Mooney was introduced and Mr. Mooney explained his management experience with other housing projects within the Town of East Hampton. Mr. Mooney read a statement to the Board. Mr. Mooney also read a letter from former Chief of Police Edward Ecker Jr., a member of the Board of Directors. Supervisor Cantwell asked Mr. DeSario if there may be any flexibility on the proposed units in regards to one bedroom units vs. three bedroom units. Mr. DeSario informed the Board that any changes would have to be reviewed by the engineers, etc. Also, a question was asked if more units could be designated for seniors. Mr. DeSario mentioned that once this project is adopted and word is out that applications are available, that seniors will submit applications. DeSario reviewed the next steps for the Town in getting this project started.

C. Accessory Restaurants & Bars in Resort & Transient Motels - Beth Baldwin

A. Ms. Baldwin directed comments to the Board in regards to this legislation indicating that this was first introduced in December, 2014. Updated legislation proposed use is in harmony with the neighborhood. Ms. Baldwin outlined all the proposed changes to the Board. Supervisor Cantwell mentioned that this is the second time reviewing this legislation and would like to get this to public hearing.

D. Discussion: Adding a New Permitted Use in Limited Business Overlay, "Flower Shops"-Beth Baldwin

Ms. Baldwin informed the Board that the existing Code doesn't address "Flower Shops" and she read the definition of florist, flower shop. Since a Flower shop/Florist would be considered low intensity and would not generate the type of traffic associated with other retail uses, the Board would like to add "Flower Shops" to the existing Chapter of the East Hampton Town Code.

E. Building Department Fees - David Betts, Ann Glennon, Michael Sendlenski

Ann Glennon, Administrative Assistant in the Building Department reviewed the current fees of the Building Department and mentioned that there has not been any changes in the building fees since 2008. Councilman VanScoyoc mentioned that the increases are long overdue.

F. Deer Fencing & ARB Requirements - Michael Sendlenski

Michael Sendlenski, Assistant Town Attorney brought the Board up to date on the proposed changes to regulate deer fencing and exempt certain deer fencing from Architectural Review Board approval requirements and provide for administrative approval for those fences through the Building department. Resolution to be offered on April 16, 2015 to set public hearing.

G. Personal Watercraft Legislation - Fred Overton

Councilman Overton reviewed comments with the Board on allowing certain personal watercraft to launch at certain locations to get to Gardiner's Bay. Assistant Town Attorney Michael Sendlenski drafted legislation. Councilman Van Scoyoc mentioned that he hasn't received overwhelming request for this change. Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez suggested that this proposal be tabled at this time. Councilman Overton also agreed to let this ?float?.

H. Indian Wells Beach Alcohol Restrictions

A. The Board agreed to offer a resolution at the April 16, 2015 meeting to hold a public hearing to set restrictions of alcohol at Indian Wells Beach for the summer season of 2015.

I. Airport Restrictions Discussion - Kathee Burke-Gonzalez

A. Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez read a statement on three proposed laws that will be on the agenda for April 16, 2015 meeting. The 2015 season will be monitored very closely. Supervisor Cantwell feels that the Board is in a position to vote on the proposed laws at the next meeting.

IV. Liaison Reports

Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez mentioned that on April 11, 2015 the Southampton High School will host the East End Mental Health Awareness Day, "Changing Times, Changing Minds".

Councilman Peter VanScoyoc brought up that Montauk Concern Citizens proposed a walking path at Eddie Ecker Park. He feels a resolution should be offered in regards to this action. Also, the Montauk Concern Citizens voiced their concerns on the proposed laws for the airport. Councilman Van Scoyoc mentioned the Thank you poster he received from the Springs School class that attended the re-enactment at the Parsons Blacksmith Shop in Springs.

Councilwoman Overby spoke about "The Blue Flock of Peace" art project for peaceful coexistence, tolerance and solidarity. The EH Art Counsel is very supportive of this project. She asked for perhaps another location within the Town other than the Lighthouse that is proposing this project for the summer of 2016. Councilwoman Overby has more information on this project in her office. She spoke about other committees: Community Housing Opportunity would like to update their procedure and that the cost will be approximately one thousand dollars and hoping that Tom Ruhle's department can fund this; Agriculture Committee considering enhancement to developing rights, the CPF committee will have to consider the enhancements. EH Energy Sustainabilty Committee met and looking for grants for wind and turbines. Amagansett Life Saving Station will hold another reenactment on June 13, 2015 and the committee for the Life Saving Station looking to have some fundraisers.

Councilman Overton mentioned that Springs Concerned Citizens would like Pio Lombardo to visit one of their meetings. Also he mentioned that the Truck legislation will be discussed at the next two meetings.

Supervisor Cantwell discussed and explained the Town's website and the problems occurring recently. Please use www.ehamptonny.gov http://www.ehamptonny.gov. Also, Supervisor Cantwell mentioned that he spoke to PSEG and they would like more community involvement pertaining to long term planning.

V. Executive Session

Motion made at 12:09 p,m, by Peter VanScoyoc to go into executive session and seconded by Sylvia Overby. Supervisor called for a five minute recess.