



Town Board Meeting of August 16, 2016 East Hampton, New York

I. Call to Order

10:00 AM Meeting called to order on August 16, 2016 at Town Hall Meeting 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	
Carole A. Brennan	Town of East Hampton	Town Clerk	Present	
Michael Sendlenski	Town of East Hampton	Town Attorney	Present	

II. Public Portion

Martin Drew suggests that some of the 300 miles of trails were not all made by Bambi's. He states that while the board is thinking about the airport that maybe some land and/or trails for motor bikes. The sport he and many others enjoy. He spoke about not being able to get results from the Chair of the Springs CAC or anyone else in charge. He spoke about the condition of Brooks Park and several other issues.

Kerin he to speak about gross floor legislation. He says this topic was discussed not that long ago. You don't have to build a big house nor do you have to built a small one either. People made decisions based on the law passed a few years ago and know it is going to be changed again. He spoke about real estate sales in the Town of East Hampton, discussing each hamlet. Let's not kill the golden goose. We need consistency.

Tina Piette states that she is not sure what the rush is all about. She watched the video of the prior meeting on this subject. She spoke about a discussion at the ACAC on this matter. Until receiving an e-mail she was unaware of today's discussion. How does this effect a property owner that may want to put in an affordable apartment. She would like to see this matter spoken about in more public meetings prior to a hearing being set.

Jeff Bragman is in favor of the proposal. Sag Harbor Village just went through the same issue. Our area must be protected from these huge homes on small lots. He actually thinks

that the law could even be more restrictive. He suggests that finished basements that are livable should be added in to the overall coverage.

Rhona Klopman states that ACAC has been discussing this matter since 2009. Large houses do not fall into the character of our neighborhoods. She understands that the real estate brokers would rather sell a big house for profit but the area does not need them.

Alice Cooley asks the board to slow down and let the Planning Department take a broader look at the matter. She agrees with Tina what is the rush. Other municipalities did broad surveys of the parcels in their jurisdiction.

III. Topics

A. Review of Local Laws Amending the Definitions of Gross Floor Area, Cellar, and Building Coverage and Revising the Formula for Calculating the Maximum Gross Floor Area Permitted on a Residential Lot-Beth Baldwin

Beth Baldwin, Assistant Town Attorney spoke first about the definitions of Gross Floor Area. She discussed coverage of ceilings of less than five feet and in excess of fifteen feet. Maximum gross floor area was discussed. The objective is to prevent large homes on small properties. She discussed the definition of cellar. Building coverage would look from the top down instead of from the ground up. She discussed the exemptions.

The board members discussed each individual proposals. After much discussion the board decided to amend three of the proposals and discuss again. Larry summarized that the bottom line is some of the houses on small lots are just too big.

It was stated that the Village of East Hampton just amended their law and the differences between the Village and Town limits are very far apart.

Kathee still has many concerns with the sizes allowed even on large lots, even though the biggest hit is on the small ones.

Tyler Borsack from the Planning Department will look at house size limitations on different size lots to make the comparison clearer.

B. GIS Trail Maps-Bob Masin, Barnaby Friedman

Bob Masin and Barnaby Friedman from the IT Department discussed the GIS trail maps. Bob gave some background on the history of this project. He thanked the Land Acquisition Department and the Trail's Preservation Society for their assistance. Without them the project would not have been able to be completed to the degree that it was. The final map will fold up to be a normal size map and will be available at the Town Clerk's Office for a nominal fee. There will be two maps, the west side and the east side. They are suggesting \$10.00 for one and \$15.00 for both.

C. Airport Operations and Complaints Interim Report-Kathee Burke-Gonzalez

Kathee Burke-Gonzalez spoke about an interim report on the operations and complaints at the East Hampton Airport. The report documents basic operations and complaint data from Vector and PlaneNoise for the full 2015 year and 2016 year to date. She stated that the annual and mid year reports calculate the number of operations by doubling the number of reported landings. The report compared overall operations, helicopter operations, jet operations, turboprop operations and piston operations. Complaint data covered overall complaints, helicopter, jet, seaplane and prop complaints. Seaplane complaints increased the most. A copy of the report will be available on the Town's website: www.ehamptonny.gov. Kathee explained that the traffic control tower was hit by lightning last week. The system was down from a Wednesday until the following Saturday.

IV. Liaison Reports

Kathee Burke-Gonzalez spoke about an upcoming meeting on drugs at the East Hampton Library.

Peter VanScoyoc spoke about hiring consultants for historic designations.

Sylvia Overby gave a briefing on a resolution regarding extending a contract with Clear River for services at Camp Hero's Wastewater System. She also spoke about the Anti Bias Task Force and their purpose.

Fred Overton spoke about the signs that the Deer Management Committee would like to put up at various areas around the town warning of collisions with deer. They would like to put up 12 signs stating the number of incidents in one year. He discussed a piece of property where dumping was occurring.

Larry spoke about a parking issue in Montauk close to the Surf Lodge. Neighbors are complaining about cars parking on the little triangle and doors opening and closing at all

hours along with noise and other happenings. He spoke about the credit rating of the town, which has been increased recently to double AA with a good outlook. He thanked Len Bernard and Charlene Kagel for their hard work along with all the department heads.

V. Executive Session: CPF, Litigation

Motion made at 11:57 a.m. by Councilman VanScoyoc, seconded by Councilwoman Overby to go into executive session.