

August 30, 2012

A special meeting of the Sharon Town Board was held on the above date in the Municipal Boardroom, 129 Main Street, for the purpose of discussing documents needed to pass Local Law #2-2012-Town of Sharon Zoning Law and any other necessary business.

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 PM followed by the salute to the flag.

Present were: Sandra Manko-Supervisor
Brian Young, David Cross, Joseph Falsarella, Carl Ullman-Councilmen
Mary Ann Larkin-Joint Planning Board

Motion made by Brian Young, seconded by David Cross and carried to add a change to the definition of kennel in the zoning law. Included will be: Training Facility: a facility used to train, discipline and instruct an animal as in performance of tasks or tricks but not for housing or boarding.

Ginny Wilday, Animal Control Officer, notified the Supervisor that she had a problem with the Animal Shelter in Howes Cave. They refused to take a dog because of overcrowded conditions. Ginny was going on vacation and needed to make arrangements for the dog. The Supervisor called the Manager at the Animal Shelter and was told it is in their contract that they can refuse to take animals. She said it was because adoptions have been slow and they had too many animals. The Supervisor call the Shelter in Sprakers in an attempt to get a second contract with them as a back-up plan. They refused to accept the Town of Sharon because of being in a different County. The Supervisor also talked to Mike West who is Council for the Sprakers Animal Shelter Board. He said they realize the Shelter is not accommodating enough to the Towns and they are in the process of making some changes. He explained there was a problem with cats having feline leukemia and 8-10 cats had to be put down. Some of the dogs were isolated because of a contagious condition and had to be quarantined which closed another section. One of the room had mold so also had to be closed off. He believes there will soon be a new Manager and new members on the Animal Shelter Board. He hopes to have a meeting with all the Dog Control Officers in the County in the near future. He felt the situation should approve in 2-3 weeks.

The Supervisor called Mina Stella, who is President of the Animal Shelter Board. She apologized for our problem and said to bring the dog in and somehow they would make arrangements.

The Supervisor also called George Liddle, who is Dog Control Officer for the Town of Seward, to see if he would be back-up for the Town of Sharon. He explained he does not have accommodations and takes animals to the Town of Cobleskill so we would need to make arrangements with them. Three towns share expenses which come to approximately \$500 per year. They only have 6 kennels to share between the 3 Towns.

Ginny Wilday would like to be on the agenda at the next Town Board meeting.

RESOLUTION 13-2012-INTENT OF THE SHARON TOWN BOARD TO BE LEAD AGENCY AND IDENTIFICATION AS A TYPE I ACTION FOR ZONING LAW AMENDMENTS

OFFERED BY: Brian Young

SECONDED BY: David Cross

ROLL CALL OF VOTES

AYE NAY

Brian Young	X
David Cross	X
Joseph Falsarella	X
Carl Ullman	X
Sandra Manko	X

The Town Board reviewed the SEQRA-Full Environmental Assessment Form, parts 1 & 2, along with attachment 1: Summary of zoning changes. Upon completion of this review the Town Board has determined that the Town of Sharon Zoning Law will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

A motion was made by Carl Ullman and seconded by Joseph Falsarella to approve the negative declaration based on review of the SEQRA.

ROLL CALL OF VOTES	AYE	NAY
Brian Young	X	
David Cross	X	
Joseph Falsarella	X	
Carl Ullman	X	
Sandra Manko	X	

This action is to adopt an updated zoning law by rescinding the existing zoning law and replacing it with an updated version. This includes changes to purpose statements, planned developments, expressly prohibited uses, special use and site plan sections, definitions, establishment of critical environmental area overlays, renaming of the PID to PLID, removal of the CI and PCI districts and updating zoning board of appeals procedures. These changes implement the Town of Sharon Comprehensive Plan which establishes the goals of the community and outlines the desire of Sharon to regulate land uses that protect the environment.

RESOLUTION 14-2012-NEGATIVE DECLARATION-TYPE I ACTION FOR ZONING LAW UPDATE

OFFERED BY: Carl Ullman
 SECONDED BY: Joseph Falsarella

ROLL CALL OF VOTES	AYE	NAY
Brian Young	X	
David Cross	X	
Joseph Falsarella	X	
Carl Ullman	X	
Sandra Manko	X	

The negative declaration notice will be sent to DEC on 8/31/2012

The SEQRA documents and formal application will be forwarded to Schoharie County Planning Commission on 8/31/2012.

Motion made by Joseph Falsarella, seconded by Brian Young and carried to adjourn at 5:30 PM.

Barbara Cousineau, Town Clerk