

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford assembled at the Spafford Town Hall, 1984 Route 174, Skaneateles, New York.

PRESENT: Supervisor Christopher Kozub, Councilor Christine Fesko, Councilor Dave Venezia, Councilor Luke Dewitt and Councilor Cherry Randall.

ALSO PRESENT: Highway Superintendent Eric Fordock, Town Clerk Lisa Valletta, and Code Officer Howard Tanner.

Supervisor Kozub called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RESIGNATION

A motion to accept Christopher White’s resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals, effective immediately, was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Dewitt. The motion PASSED. AYES- 5, NAYS- 0.

ADVERTISE VACANT SEAT ON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A motion to authorize an advertisement for applicants to the Zoning Board of Appeals was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Randall. The motion PASSED. AYES- 5, NAYS- 0.

AGREEMENT TO SPEND HIGHWAY FUNDS

Highway Superintendent Eric Fordock (Supt Fordock) presented the Town Board with three plans for 2016 road work projects. There was discussion of the plans and the supporting information provided. The opportunity to hire an intern through Cornell Local Roads Program and associated costs was also discussed. The Town Board tabled discussion of the proposed Agreements until the February 11, 2016 meeting. Supt Fordock commented he will provide information regarding a new loader prior to the February meeting.

ZONING ORDINANCE REVISIONS

The Public Hearing for discussion of proposed revisions to the Town of Spafford Zoning Ordinance opened on December 10, 2015. The Town Board determined the Public Hearing would not reopen during this meeting.

There was discussion of the suggested revisions and whether to incorporate all the suggestions or to proceed with the simple revisions. Supervisor Kozub offered the reminder that the original charge was to address the procedural issues in the suggested revisions. Kathy Adams was invited to join in the discussion.

Item 1. Add a definition for Accessory Structure: *A detached structure incidental to the principal building that is on the same lot as the principal building.*

The Town Board unanimously agrees to accept this revision.

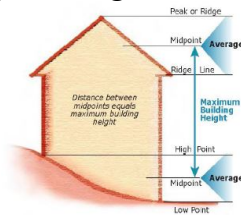
Item 2. Add a definition for Accessory Use: *An accessory use is a use that is incidental to and customarily found in connection with the principal use. An accessory use must be conducted on the same zoning lot as the principal use to which it is related, unless the district regulations permit another location for the accessory use. (Off-site accessory parking facilities, for example, are permitted in certain zoning districts.)*

The Town Board unanimously agrees to accept this revision.

Item 3. Revise the definition for Bed and Breakfast to eliminate number of rooms from definition: *A type of home occupation in an owner-occupied, single-family residence offering overnight lodging for guests or tourists and may include dining facilities that are limited only to the overnight guests.*

The Town Board unanimously agrees to accept this revision.

Item 4. Revise the definition of Building Height to allow flexibility in roof design; include an illustration: *The vertical distance as measured from the average elevation of the proposed finished grade to the average height of the highest roof surface.*



The Town Board unanimously agrees to accept this revision.

Item 5. Revise the definition of Cabana to remove dimensions (see bulk tables): *An accessory building designed to be a recreational support facility. A Cabana shall not be used for habitation.*

The Town Board unanimously agrees to accept this revision.

Supervisor Kozub requested further discussion be tabled to pursue other agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to enter Executive Session at 9:40 a.m. to discuss employment histories of applicants for appointment as Town Attorney was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Venezia. The motion PASSED. AYES- 5, NAYS- 0

A motion to exit Executive Session at 11:30 a.m. was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Randall. The motion PASSED. AYES- 5, NAYS- 0

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT HEALTH INSURANCE

The Town Board discussed the health insurance options available for the Highway Superintendent.

RESOLUTION 23-2016

Highway Superintendent Health Insurance

On a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Randall the following resolution was PASSED.

AYES – 5 Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, Dewitt, Randall

NAYS – 0

Resolved the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign the Participation Agreement with the Teamsters’ Union; and further RESOLVED the addition of an Individual Policy to the Teamsters’ Health Insurance for Highway Superintendent Eric Fordock is authorized.

