

**STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS
TOWN OF LA GRANGE**

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
July 22, 2009**

Present: Deputy Supervisor Joseph Luna
Councilman Gary Beck
Councilman Steve O'Hare
Councilman Edward P. Jessup

Absent: Supervisor Jon Wagner

Recording Secretary: Christine O'Reilly-Rao, Town Clerk

Others Present: Wanda Livigni, Administrator of Public Works
Diana Campaglione, Environmental Consultants
Janis Gomez Anderson Esq., Van De Water & Van De Water
Rebecca Valk, Esq. Van De Water & Van De Water

A regular meeting of the Town Board was held on Wednesday, July 22, 2009 at the LaGrange Town Hall, 120 Stringham Road. Deputy Supervisor Luna called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The Town Clerk led the flag salute.

Deputy Supervisor Luna asked for a motion to approve the minutes from July 8, 2009 and July 15, 2009.
Councilman O' Hare moved to do so, seconded by Councilman Beck and carried unanimously.

Deputy Supervisor Luna asked for a motion to amend the minutes from January 12, 2005 and January 4, 2007 to include the salary schedules for Town employees which had been referenced and voted upon were not included in the minutes.
Councilman Beck so moved, seconded by Councilman O'Hare and carried by all.

Resolution

Mr. Luna introduced a resolution for the Board to approve and authorize the Supervisor to execute a Stipulation Agreement and Order between Henry G. Page Jr. Development Ltd. and Sleight Farm LLC and the Town. (SEE ADDENDUM)
Councilman Beck seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Deputy Supervisor asked the Board to consider authorizing the Supervisor to seek grant money from the New York State Office of Court Administration. He noted that Justice Caplicki had already signed off on the application.

Councilman O'Hare moved to authorize the grant application, seconded by Councilman Jessup and carried unanimously.

Public Hearing

Deputy Supervisor Luna asked for a motion to re-open the Public Hearing for a local law which would address signage.

Ms. Gomez Anderson stated that several changes had been made to the current draft during the workshop meeting held prior to the regular meeting.

Councilman Jessup moved to do so seconded by Councilman O'Hare and carried by all.

Nancy Swanson of the ZBA addressed the Board. She felt the indentations in Table 1 were confusing regarding subdivisions. She was also concerned about the definition of temporary signs which includes poster and handbills which are prohibited.

Ms. Gomez Anderson replied that it was really an editing problem with regard to the indentations that can be rectified when the new law is sent for editing to General Code. As to the definition of temporary signs, poster and handbills are technically temporary signs.

The Town Clerk read into the record a letter from Sandra Lane from Wildwood Lane regarding her concerns about sign size. (SEE ADDENDUM)

Deputy Supervisor Luna stated that he had spoken to Ms. Lane and assured her that her comments would be read at the meeting and become part of the minutes.

Councilman O'Hare moved to adjourn the Public Hearing, seconded by Councilman Jessup and carried by all.

Ms. Gomez Anderson asked the Board to pass an oral resolution to amend the EAF.

Councilman O'Hare so moved seconded by Councilman Jessup and carried by all.

Resolution

Deputy Supervisor Luna offered a resolution of introduction which included the written changes from the workshop. (SEE ADDENDUM)

Councilman O'Hare moved to set the Public Hearing for August 26, 2009, seconded by Councilman Jessup and carried by all.

Ms. Valk took over for Ms. Gomes at this point.

Public Hearing

Councilman Jessup seconded by Councilman O'Hare moved to open the Public Hearing on the fee schedules and carried by all.

Deputy Supervisor stated that this amendment would make it more cost effective when changing fee schedules since all fee amounts have been removed.

Ms. Valk added that it will save the Town money since a new law will not be necessary to change fee amounts, just a simple resolution.

There were no comments from the public.

Councilman Jessup moved to close the hearing, seconded by Councilman O'Hare and carried by all.

Councilman Jessup moved to accept the Negative Declaration, seconded by Councilman Beck and carried unanimously. (SEE ADDENDUM)

Councilman O'Hare moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Councilman Beck and carried unanimously. (SEE ADDENDUM)

Committee Reports

Water & Sewer

No report

Recreation

The next meeting will be on July 27, 2009 at 7 p.m.

Open Space

No report

Highway

No report

Town Board Comments

No comments

Town Attorney

No comments for the regular meeting. Ms. Valk requested 10 minutes during executive session.

Public Works

No report

Environmental Consultants

No report

Public Comment

Councilman Beck moved to open the Public Comment, seconded by Councilman O'Hare and carried unanimously.

Mary Arnold of the LaGrange Library addressed the Board. She stated that the summer reading program is going well with 343 children enrolled.

Mr. Luna welcomed her to the meeting.

Nancy Swanson of the ZBA asked about the proliferation of temporary signs along Route 55.

Mr. Luna replied that they were illegal and that as soon as the new sign ordinance becomes

effective, letters from the Code Enforcement Officer will go out and the signs can be removed in 15 days.

Mr. Luna asked for a motion to close the public comment. Councilman Beck so moved seconded by Councilman O'Hare and carried by all.

Councilman Jessup moved to adjourn to an executive session at 8:01 p.m. seconded by Councilman Beck and carried by all.

The Board returned at 8:30 p.m. and Councilman O'Hare move to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Beck seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine O'Reilly-Rao
Town Clerk

ADDENDUM

- Resolution for A Stipulation Agreement and Order between Henry G Page Jr. Development Ltd., Sleight Farm LLC and the Town
- Letter from Sandra Lane
- Resolution; Sign Ordinance
- EAF: Sign Ordinance
- Dutchess County Comment: Sign Ordinance
- Negative Declaration: Fee Schedule
- Resolution: Fee Schedule
- EAF: Fee Schedule
- Dutchess County Comments: Fee Schedule