

Special Geneseo Town Board Meeting

Thursday, June 26, 2014

A Special Meeting of the Geneseo Town Board was held on Thursday, June 26, 2014 in the conference room of the Geneseo Town Office Facility. The purpose of the meeting was to meet with the members of the Town Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals to discuss proposed fence regulations for the Lake Shore District.

PRESENT: William S. Wadsworth, Supervisor
Roberta Irwin, Councilwoman
Jerald Wrubel, Councilman
Felicisimo Manapol, Councilman
Patti LaVigne, Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Maxwell, Code Enforcement Officer
David Woods, Planning Board Member
Dwight Folts, Planning Board Chairman
Robert Irwin, Planning Board Member
Ken Book, ZBA Member

ARRIVING LATE: John Maxwell, ZBA Chairman

PROPOSED FENCE LAW:

Supervisor Wadsworth called the special meeting to order at 7:06 pm. Councilwoman LaVigne led the pledge to the flag. A moment of silence was held for service men and women serving around the world.

The group reviewed fencing regulations for surrounding locations submitted by John Steinmetz and Jim Coniglio. The members discussed which materials and heights would be permitted in Geneseo.

The new proposed DRAFT fence regulation will state that:

The following are the specific desires of the committee. These are not mutually exclusive but the committee would like to see these included at a minimum.

- Permit required
- No fences parallel to the shore line
- From the NYSDEC high water mark (819 feet above sea level) back fifteen feet (unless the rear of the structure begins within this fifteen feet) fences are allowed but must not exceed four feet and must be 60% transparent.
- From the fifteen foot point to the start of the rear of the structure (unless the rear of the structure begins within this fifteen feet) fences are allowed but must not exceed four feet and may be opaque.
- From the beginning of the rear of the structure to the front of the structure fences are allowed but must not exceed six feet and may be opaque. (note, there may be an existing set back from the front property line and we would like to keep this)
- Includes a list of prohibited materials based on safety factors
- Plants are included in the definition of fencing
- The decorative side of the fence must face the neighbor.
- We would like a clear definitions section

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The creation of an Executive Committee was recommended by Supervisor Wadsworth. It was decided that the members present would act as representatives of the Executive Committee and prepare a draft fence ordinance for review. All members of each board will still be involved in the process. Mr. Woods will meet with John Steinmetz and Jim Coniglio.

The next meeting was scheduled for July 17, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Geneseo Town Office Facility, 4630 Millennium Drive.

At 8:04 pm the meeting adjourned. No action was taken by the Town Board during this meeting.

Courtney Kennedy, Town Clerk